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Unusual Historic Document

CHINESE MEGILLAH (Scroll of Esther) — This is a partial reproduction of the most famous manuscript of a Megillah. It is known as the Chinese Megillah and stems from the Jewish community in Kai-Feng-Fu, China. It was written about 1800. It is the only such relic of this now defunct Community. Of particular interest are the Chinese figures at the bottom. The Chinese Megillah belongs to the collection of the British-Jewish historian Dr. Cecil Roth.

RUSSELL SPURNS NIKITA'S DENIAL OF ANTISEMITISM

IZVESTIA FINALLY PUBLISHES KHRUSCHEV "EXPLANATION" TO BRITISH PHILOSOPHER

Moscow Attitude On Jews Still Puzzling The West

PARIS, (CJN) — For the first time in many years "Izvestia", the official daily of the Soviet government published a statement against anti-Semitism, according to the report from Moscow by Tass. It was the text of the reply that Premier Nikita Khruschev gave Earl Bertrand Russell, the British philosopher, who in several letters had complained to the Soviet leader against anti-Jewish excesses in the USSR.

On former occasions similar items were published only abroad, while Soviet public opinion had no knowledge of this kind of polemics. It has also been noted here that it is the first time that Premier Kruschev publicly, and for the record, denies anti-Semitism in Russia.

LENGTHY STATEMENT

LONDON. (JCNS)

The lengthy statement by the Soviet Prime Minister describing allegations of antisemitism in Russia as "a crude falsehood" and justifying the conviction and execution of Jewish "economic" offenders has failed to convince Earl Russell, the 90-year-old English philosopher to whom it was addressed.

Following the publication of Mr. Khruschev's letter in London Mr. Raloh Schoenman, Lord Russell's Private Secretary, told a JCNS reporter that Lord Russell would continue with his plea for a stay of executions of alleged Jewish offenders in the Soviet Union and would continue to give expression to his anxiety about antisemitism there.

Lord Russell first approached the Soviet leader on these issues exactly a year ago when following the death sentences passed on a dozen Russian Jews for alleged illegal currency dealings he, together with Professor Martin Buber and Francois Mauriac, the famous French Catholic writer, addressed a joint appeal to Mr. Khruschev for a stay of the executions.

FREQUENT CORRESPONDENCE

They also pointed out that the policy of the Soviet authorities might contribute towards a reawakening of anti-Jewish feeling in the Soviet Union.

Mr. Schoenman stated that since last January Lord Russell had been in frequent correspondence with the Soviet Prime Minister both on the issue of the "economic offences" with which so many Jews had been charged and on the wider question of antisemitism in Russia.

"Lord Russell has not yet decided to make public the text of cables and letters which he had already sent to Mr. Khruschev as he feels that his intervention could be more useful if it remained private", Mr. Schoenman said. "He has also been in touch with Government leaders in Rumania and Hungary mainly on the question of reuniting Jewish families in these countries with their relatives abroad."

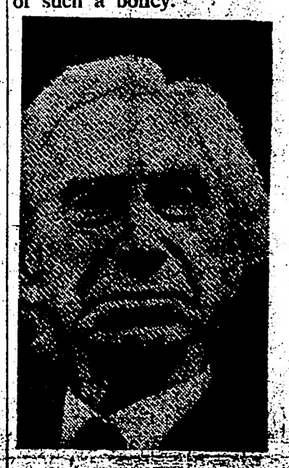
DENIES HATRED

Mr. Khruschev's letter — five fullscap pages — was wired from the Kremlin to the Soviet Embassy in London for translation and transmission to Lord Russell. His agreement was obtained before the text was released to the world press through the medium of the news agencies.

The JCNS understand that this is only one of the communications which the Soviet leader has recently sent to Lord Russell, but it is obviously the one to which he attaches special significance and which he therefore wanted to have published.

In his letter Mr. Khruschev declared:

"It is for the sake of justice that our people have to punish those who want to live at the expense of others, to rob our society. There is not, and never has been, a policy of antisemitism in the Soviet Union because the very nature of our multi-national Socialist state excludes a possibility of such a policy."



BERTRAND RUSSELL
Fights for Russian Jews

NO ANSWER

London (JCNS). - Our diplomatic editor writes:

Mr. Khruschev's letter to Earl Russell may indeed raise more questions than it answers, but the wonder is that is was written at all, that the Soviet Premier felt obliged to publish an exculpatory statement regarding the treatment of Soviet Jewry and designed apparently solely for Western consumption. This is an encouraging sign, since it demonstrates that the Soviet rulers are sensitive to the strength of feeling abroad on this matter.

However, Mr. Khruschev's letter ignores the main contentions of the original communication addressed to him jointly by Lord Russell, Francois Mauriac and Martin Buber a year ago. On the savagery of imposing the death sentence for economic offences of any kind he is silent. He fails to answer the point that the wide publicity given by the Soviet Press to the "Jewishness" of the offenders is bound to encourage further overt expression of antisemitism in Russia.

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RUSSELL & KHRUSCHEV

BOAC Crew Men In Anti-Jewish Riot

JERUSALEM (JCNS) — The BOAC management in Tel Aviv ordered two air crew members to leave Israel on the first available aircraft after it heard of antisemitic remarks made by them. They left last Sunday morning.

The incident was a source of embarrassment to the management of the Avia Hotel, near Lydda airport, where the incident took place, as well as to BOAC here.

According to the BOAC management the two men were drunk when they made the antisemitic remarks at 1.30 a.m. on Saturday. They were allegedly reacting against the refusal by the hotel to serve them any more drinks.

Both men were said to be apparently drunk, but they had launched their tirades on Friday night, as well as on Saturday night. On the first night they were ignored, being obviously drunk. But on the second night guests as well as members of the hotel staff attempted to restrain them, although without success. Petach Tikvah police were called in, but by the time they arrived both men had retired to their rooms, so the police departed without taking any action or obtaining any statement.

A spokesman for the BOAC told the JCNS correspondent in Tel Aviv: "A mountain out of a mole hill" had been made of the incident. "Their captain took disciplinary action just as any captain in the Army would have done", the spokesman said.

• Commentary •

By M. J. Nurenberger

yiddish a la moscow

This time it behooves me to do exactly that which I usually resent others doing. I dislike it utterly, but I must say I Told You So to all those who so gallantly welcomed the appearance of the Moscow Yiddish revue, "Sovietish Haymland". Especially must I remind those eminent Yiddish litterateurs who saw in this magazine (which appears every other month) a rebirth of Yiddish culture in the Soviet Union. I cannot help but remember the naive hallelujahs in the New York Yiddish dailies about a new dawn for Jewishness in the USSR.

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As for myself, when a Soviet diplomat in Ottawa mentioned this periodical to me as a proof of Jewish life in Russia, I replied: "I am very happy to note that now the Soviet government is making use of Yiddish as a medium for its propaganda abroad." For, it is pertinent to add that only 25,000 copies of each issue of "Sovietish Haymland" are printed, and most of it is destined for export. It is very difficult to obtain a copy in the Soviet Union proper.

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What, then, is the purpose of this magazine? The recent issue, for example, contains an article which "explains" indirectly to the Yiddish-speaking world the recent wave of arrests of "Jewish speculators" in the Soviet Union. The author, a certain Muni Shulman, discusses the "scandalous happenings" in a Russian-Jewish community where, allegedly, synagogue officials supplied him with "documents proving" the frauds and misappropriation of charitable funds by the leaders of the synagogue. In this "literary journal" Shulman speaks of the "swindlers, communal coffers, thefts, etc." He also demands that these criminals be punished.

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Thus we live to see the day when the holy characters of the Hebrew alphabet are being used for new denunciations against the remaining Jewish religious leaders in the Soviet Union who dare to fight for their right to pray as they please. Till now such anti-Semitic prose was reserved only for local dailies in the Ukraine, Moldavia and other Soviet states. (Shulman, by the way, is the same agent provocateur in literary disguise who, in a previous article, was used by the Soviet police to denounce in the same magazine Yeshiva students for wearing skullcaps at a memorial for the martyred Yiddish poet, Peretz Markish. That article was followed by the expulsion from Moscow of the few students who attended the Yeshiva and brought about the actual closing of it.)

Shuman also made himself infamous last year which he wrote in "Sovietish Haymland" that he "had tried to interview the Jewish God by telephone."

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Several years ago when the so-called protagonists of the secular Jewish culture in Russia among us began the campaign for allowing a Yiddish publication in the USSR, I asked: "Why do we have to look at sacrilege in Hebrew letters? Is it not enough that we read anti-Jewish propaganda in Russian or Ukranian?"

The problem of Jews and Judaism in the Soviet Union is not that of a publication or publications in Yiddish. It is not, as Krushchev cynically put it in his reply to Bertrand Russell, the question of legal safeguards against anti-Semitism. It is more tragic: it is, plain and simple, the issue of the spiritual survival of the Jewish people in the Soviet Union which, up to now — despite the well-advertised thaw in the post-Stalin era — has not been secured.

It is the continuous closing of synagogues, the ban on baking matzot, the end of the little Yeshiva, the publicized trials against "Jewish speculators," the executions of tens of Jews for "economic crimes." All these are the symptoms of a tragic situation which we, the Jews in the West, cannot ignore unless we want to say that we are not our brother's keeper.

FRENCH SUPPORT ISRAEL AT ECM

JERUSALEM (JCNS) — The announcement in Brussels last week that the Council of Ministers of the Common Market countries has given instructions for a list of Israel's exports to be drawn up ready for consideration of possible reductions in tariffs, came as a surprise here. Israeli officials involved in the negotiations were careful not to make any statements.

Mr. Levi Eshkol, the Minister of Finance, later told the Press that what Israel was seeking from the Common Market countries was an "overall comprehensive arrangement."

It appears at first glance that any proposed tariff reductions would be of only limited help to Israel. Half of Israel's main export items, such as citrus and citrus by-products, diamonds, canned fruit, vegetables, edible oil and potash go to the Common Market countries. But the 25 per cent reduction in tariffs that Israel might get in these products would still leave the tariffs on her other exports at a prohibitively high level.

PROPOSED REDUCTION

BRUSSELS (JCNS)—Last week's meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Common Market member-States instructed an expert committee to examine the possibility of a general tariff reduction on all Israeli industrial and agricultural products.

This committee is expected to report back early in April and the Ministers will then instruct the team which has been negotiating with Israel what line to follow in the next stage of the talks.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Couve de Murville, spoke cordially in support of Israel and so did the Belgian spokesman. The Italians showed some hesitation but raised no formal objections.

Canadian Books At Israeli Fair

Initiated and sponsored by the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce and Industry, a representative selection of Canadian books and magazines published in English and French by the leading publishing Houses of Canada, will be shown at the forthcoming Jerusalem International Book Fair to be held at the Jerusalem Convention Hall, between April 20 and 28. This will be the first occasion that Canadian publishers have had, to establish contact with the book trade not only of Israel, but also of a number of countries which will be attending the Jerusalem Book Fair.

The Chamber will devote its next Members' Luncheon which takes place on March 13th at the Park Plaza Hotel in Toronto to the publishing trade. Dr. John Webster Grant Editor-Chief of the Ryerson Press, Rhodes scholar and former Professor at Union College, B.C., will be the Guest Speaker. — Mark A. Levy, National Vice-President of the Chamber will be in the Chair.

NKRUMAH DEMANDS ISRAEL-ARAB PEACE

LONDON, (JCNS) — President Nkrumah of Ghana has strongly advised the Arab States to recognise the independent existence of Israel and — if the interpretation of his remarks which have been given to the Israelis is correct —to accept the present boundaries as inviolable.

The President's actual words on the question of Israel's boundaries was that the State of Israel should be kept "within the limits laid down by the United Nations". While a spokesman at the Office of the High Commissioner for Ghana in London thought this referred to the United Nations partition resolution of 1947, "reliable sources" in Accra told the Israelis that the President was referring to the armistice demarcation lines which were later confirmed by the United Nations.

(See Editorial Page 4)

Minister Bell:

Canada Will Encourage Immigration; Will Fight Racial Hatred, Bigotry

Ottawa (CJN) - The Hon. R.A. Bell, Canada's Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, told The Canadian Jewish News in an exclusive statement that the government is planning an extensive immigration policy. At the same time Mr. Bell denounced vehemently the xenophobic remarks made last week in Toronto by millionaire Matthew J. Boylen. Mr. Boylen, in a fit of ire following a robbery in his Toronto mansion, had blamed immigrants and naturalized Canadians for 90% of the crimes.

The Hon. R.A. BELL
Canada's Minister of Immigration
Denounces Xenophobia

ONTARIO PROTESTS

Mr. Boylen apologized following a statement by Provincial Minister Yaremko in the Ontario legislature in which the Minister sharply attacked such irresponsible and dangerous talk.

Hon. Allan Grossman, Ontario Government Cabinet Minister and MPP for Toronto-St. Andrew Riding, said charges against immigrants by a Toronto financier "should be treated with contempt".

Mr. Bell stated that the facts are quite the opposite. The percentage of criminals among naturalized Canadians and immigrants is smaller than that among native born citizens.

Turning to the problem of immigration, Mr. Bell stated that it has been the policy of the government, headed by John G. Diefenbaker, to encourage immigration, as "Canada has been built and sustained by the strength of immigrant people."

"EXPANSIONIST POLICY"

The Minister of Citizenship and Immigration also told The Canadian Jewish News that he had instructed all overseas offices to work toward this "expansionist policy in immigration" on a non-discriminatory basis. The Minister added that anyone aware of such discrimination may write to him directly with the certainty that such a case would be given fullest consideration and would be investigated thoroughly.

Recently Mr. Bell received a delegation of the JIAS, headed by Saul Hayes, executive vice president of the Canadian Jewish Congress. Mr. Bell told us he was profoundly impressed by the understanding of the problem demonstrated by Mr. Hayes and his colleagues and by the readiness of the Jewish community to assist his department in planning and executing a policy of greater immigration which is in the interest of Canada.

CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT: Belia Werek, an Israeli girl, is crowned queen of the Combined Youth Appeal ball held recently at the Bloor Street YM-YWHA. She represented a young adult club, the Sabras. Last year's queen, Doreen Paulin, does the honors.

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Township Of North York

The Liquor Licence Act

NOTICE OF HOLDING AN ADVANCE POLL

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Election Act (section 77) a poll will be open on

THURSDAY, the 21st day of MARCH, 1963

FRIDAY, the 22nd day of MARCH, 1963

and on

SATURDAY, the 23rd day of MARCH, 1963

from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. standard time

The polling places for the Township of North York will be located at

(For that part of the Township lying EAST of the centre line of Bayview Ave.)	Don Mills Public Library, Lawrence Avenue East at Donway West.
(For that part of the Township lying BETWEEN the centre line of Bathurst Street and the centre line of Bayview Avenue.)	Township of North York Municipal Building, 5000 Yonge Street, Willowdale.
(For that part of the Township lying WEST of the centre line of Bathurst Street.)	Downsview Public Library, 2793 Keele Street, (just north of Wilson Avenue.)

for the purpose of receiving the votes of voters who expect to be absent from the Municipality on the day fixed for polling.

The ballot boxes will be opened and the votes counted at 7:00 p.m. on

WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of MARCH, 1963

AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
5000 YONGE STREET, WILLOWDALE

A. G. STANDING,
Returning Officer.

DATED at North York this Seventh day of March, 1963

Township of North York

Vote Under The Liquor Licence Act

MARCH 27, 1963

(Polls open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Standard Time)

Public notice is hereby given that, in accordance with the provisions of The Liquor Licence Act, a vote will be taken on the following questions:

Are you in favour of the sale of liquor under a dining lounge licence for consumption with meals on licensed premises?

Are you in favour of the sale of liquor under a lounge licence for consumption on licensed premises?

at a poll to be opened on the Twenty-Seventh day of March, 1963, from the hour of 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon (Standard Time).

All persons are hereby called upon to ascertain if their names have been entered upon the list of eligible voters for the said Vote by examining the lists of such voters posted up in their respective polling subdivisions or by telephoning the Clerk's Department, Township of North York (Telephone 225-4611) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., from Monday, March 11, to Friday, March 15, inclusive.

Any person is qualified to be entered on the Voters' List referred to herein who is:

1. of the full age of twenty-one years on or before March 27, 1963;
2. a British subject;
3. not disqualified under The Election Act (Ontario) or otherwise prohibited by law from voting;
4. **At THE TIME OF VOTING (MARCH 27, 1963) ORDINARILY RESIDENT IN THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH YORK, AND HAS BEEN ORDINARILY RESIDENT THEREIN FOR A PERIOD OF TWO MONTHS PRECEDING SUCH DATE.**

Persons having the necessary qualifications whose names are not on the Voters' List may:

1. apply in writing to the undersigned, 5000 Yonge Street, Willowdale, up to 5:00 p.m., March 15, 1963; or
2. apply to the Revising Officer, 5000 Yonge Street, Willowdale, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., on March 16, 1963.

A. G. STANDING,
Returning Officer

THE VOTERS' LISTS ACT

(REFERRED TO IN SECTION 74)

NOTICE OF SITTINGS OF REVISING OFFICERS

TAKE NOTICE that sittings of the Revising Officers for the purpose of hearing complaints or appeals with regard to the voters' lists to be used at the voting on March 27th, 1963 under The Liquor Licence Act, in the municipality of the TOWNSHIP OF NORTH YORK, will be held at the following time and places set forth in the schedule hereinafter set out:

Date of Sittings	Place of Sittings	Time of Sittings
Saturday, March 16th, 1963	Municipal Building 5000 Yonge St., Willowdale	11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Standard Time)

Revising Officers	Clerks of Revising Officers
S. H. SMITH, Esq. and J. R. CASEY, Esq.	L. BUCKLEY and E. HUGHES

AND TAKE NOTICE that the lists to be so revised are the original lists for each polling sub-division (Nos. 13C to 429C both inc.; 18S to 165S both inc.; and 189E to 237E, both inc. as prepared and certified by the Federal enumerators for the said polls.

1. AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that any voter who desires to complain that his name or the names of any person or persons entitled to be entered on the said list have been omitted from the same, or that the names of any person or persons who are not entitled to be voters have been entered thereon, may on or before the 16th day of MARCH, 1963, apply, complain or appeal to have his name or the names of any other person or persons entered on, or removed from the list. Complaints may be made on the first day of the above Sittings to the Revising Officer.

2. AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that such appeals must be by notice in writing in the prescribed form, signed by the complainant in duplicate and given to the Clerk of the Revising Officer or left for him at his office at 5000 Yonge Street, Willowdale.

3. AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that at any time prior to the sittings of the Revising Officer, any voter whose name is omitted from the list as prepared by the enumerators, or any person who has knowledge of the fact that the name or names of any other voter or voters have been so omitted, may so inform the Returning Officer in writing, stating the names and addresses of the voter or voters so omitted.

A.G. STANDING,
Returning Officer
5000 Yonge Street, Willowdale
Dated this 20th day of February, 1963.

HIS HONOUR JUDGE ROBERT FORSYTH
Chairman of the Election Board
for the County of York
Room 107, City Hall, Toronto

TUESDAY: YOUNG MEN'S SPORTS NIGHT

A sports celebrity night and smoker will open the 1963 campaign of the Young Men's Division in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal of Toronto. This is the second year that a campaign is being organized for young men between the ages of 25 and 35.

The affair will be held Tuesday, March 12, at 8.15 pm. at the Primrose Club. The committee of hosts is comprised of Moe Emer, Dr. Gerald Halbert, Albert Mandel, Irwin Pasternak, Alvin Schrage and H. Wayne Tanenbaum.

Invitations to appear have been accepted by Norman Stoneburgh, all-Canadian center of the Toronto Argonauts, and by Bill Mawhinney, golf pro at Northwood Golf and Country Club.

Other invitations have been sent to leading players on the Toronto Maple Leafs and the golf celebrities.

The program includes an account of the 1963 UJA Study Mission to Israel by members of the mission. They will relate their experiences in Paris, Marseilles and Israel, and what they saw in refugee centers, immigration camps, Israeli Army Camps and Kibbutzim.

BULLETINS

MYSTERY ATTACK ON ROCKET EXPERT

Zurich, (JCNS) Three men who attacked a German rocket scientist in the West-German town of Lorrach on the Swiss border last week were identified by the police as "Arabs." The scientist Dr. Hans Kleinwaechter, who said that he was nearly killed, expressed the view that he had been attacked for "political reasons."

According to newspaper reports, Dr. Kleinwaechter has been associated with Dr. Eugen Saenger, the German rocket expert, who has been working for the Egyptian Government. Another was said to be Dr. Heinz Krug, whose kidnapping in Munich last September has never been solved.

Dr. Krug was last seen with a man known as "Mr. Saleh" and identified as an Egyptian. The doctor's car was found abandoned in a Munich street a few days after his disappearance.

SUPPORT GROWS FOR AID TO SCHOOLS

Washington, (JCNS) According to a new Gallup Poll, 49 per cent of Americans now favour Federal aid to parochial schools, a significant shift in opinion since March 1961, when only 36 per cent were in favour.

Protestants in favour of such aid increased from 29 per cent in 1961 to 42 per cent now, and Roman Catholics from 66 to 71 per cent. No figures are available for Jewish opinion.

SIXTY-THREE DEATH SENTENCES

London, (JCNS) The trials in the Soviet Union of the so-called "economic offenders" came into prominence at the beginning of 1962.

From the start Jews were conspicuous among those tried sentenced and condemned to death. By the end of last year the total number executed as "economic criminals" reached 51 (apart from many others condemned to long terms of imprisonment).

This year death sentences were passed on eleven more Jews in January and another one in February, making a total of 63 so far.

YOUNG MEN TO CAMPAIGN. Participation by young men in the 1963 United Jewish Appeal of Toronto was planned by a committee of hosts last week. They are (from left): Al Mandel, Dr. Gerald Halbert, H. Wayne Tanenbaum, Alvin Schrage and Moe Emer. The young men will hold a sports celebrity smoker Tuesday, March 12, at the Primrose Club.

Dateline: NEW YORK

By Trude Weiss-Rosmarin

Jews In Uniform

The nation-wide observance of the centenary of the appointment of the first U.S.A. Jewish Chaplain has stimulated interest in the military record of American Jews and in their present share in their country's defence. According to Rabbi Elihu A. Michelson of the Armed Services Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board, about one hundred and fifty thousand Jews are now in military uniforms.

Their religious and spiritual welfare is the concern of 75 full-time military chaplains and 260 part-time civilian chaplains recruited from amongst rabbis serving congregations near military installation where the appointment of a full-time Jewish chaplain is not warranted. Seven full-time Jewish chaplains are attached to veteran's hospitals and approximately three hundred chaplains-in-reserve are ready for service in an emergency.

One of the highest ranking and busiest Jewish chaplains is Lieutenant Colonel Louis Barish, the Senior Post Chaplain of Fort Hamilton in Brooklyn, New York. As Senior Chaplain, Rabbi Barish is the superior and supervising officer also of the Protestant and Catholic chaplains of the Post and he has responsibilities for the Christian as well as the Jewish members of this large military community.

A Chaplain's Life

Jews at Fort Hamilton number about 4% of the total, a proportion which is somewhat higher than the percentage of Jews in the U.S.A. population, estimated to be about 3.5 per cent. Most of the Jewish soldiers are young draftees, between the ages of 18 and 23, who serve two years in fulfilment of their military obligation. There is also a group of older Jewish career soldiers and officers. Most of them are married and live with their families on the Post. Chaplain Barish conducts a variegated religious and educational programme for the families of his military congregation, including a religious school for the children and Hebrew and discussion groups for the adults.

As all chaplains, Rabbi Barish devotes many hours to pastoral counselling, especially on marital and premarital problems. Most of the Jewish soldiers are of marrying age and as a result there is plenty of "romance" in the air - and not all of it is untroubled.

One of the thorniest problems of the Jewish chaplains is inter-marriage. According to Chaplain Barish, Jewish soldiers stationed over-seas and deprived of opportunity of meeting Jewish girls have a very high intermarriage rate. As Greater New York is the home of the largest contingent of Jewish soldiers, Rabbi Barish sees large numbers of parents distraught over the news that their sons are engaged to be married to girls of another faith.

Jewish Chaplains leave nothing undone to dissuade their charges from intermarrying and Rabbi Barish in addition, transmits the worries and the case histories of the New York parents to his colleagues in the far-flung military installations around the globe.

Serving The Army

The annual budget of the Jewish Welfare Board Services to the Armed Forces is about half a million dollars Whilst the Chaplains receive the regular pay of commissioned officers, the U.S.A. Armed services do not provide the many ritual 'extras' of Jewish life and religion. It is here where the JWB fills a pressing need by providing prayer books and numerous other ritual requirements, as well as the Jewish foods which help create the Sabbath and holidays atmosphere. Wherever the Army goes, there also go the JWB shipments of gefillte fish, tinned kosher chicken and other traditional foods. As for Jewish education, the JWB Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy takes special pride in its regularly scheduled Overseas Torah Convocations, Chaplain's Study Retreat and regional and zonal conferences of Armed Services volunteers. According to the latest available statistics (for 1961), Jewish chaplains conducted about fifteen thousand religious services and eleven thousand other group activities involving about nine hundred thousand direct contacts with Jewish men and women in uniform and in Veterans' Hospitals.

Many Jewish soldiers get their first post-Barmitzvah contact with the synagogue at a Military Post service. And there are thousands who have never become Barmitzvah and make up for what they missed in the Army. In the recently published anthology, "Rabbis in Uniform", edited by Chaplain Barish, former Chaplain Albert A. Baum tells how at a Rosh Hashanah service on a small island about 50 miles south of Manila he called 211 soldiers to the Torah in celebration of their much postponed and ardently desired Barmitzvah.

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ONLY IN AMERICA

by HARRY GOLDEN

A Short Vignette

Whenever I take a friend to luncheon and pay a check in excess of seven or eight dollars for the two of us, I think of Mr. Schwartz.

Mr. Schwartz was a thin, little man with a black moustache, the father of my schoolmate Harry. Harry was cross-eyed and with the typical thoughtlessness and cruelty of children, we always called him "Cockeye." It was the name to which he eventually answered since I cannot remember when we called him Harry. During World War I, Harry enlisted and some years later I heard he had remained in the army, making it his career.

Harry's father, Mr. Schwartz, was a pushcart peddler on Delancey Street on New York's Lower East Side. He sold "broken" chocolate. These were chunks of milk chocolate with he bought as rejected lots from a wholesaler. You could buy one of these smaller pieces for a penny and the larger ones Mr. Schwartz weighed on a scale attached to his pushcart.

What makes me think of Mr. Schwartz when I pay these luxurious luncheon bills is the memory of the evening I visited Harry and Mr. Schwartz came home from his day's peddling. He came into the house and recited the evening prayer and sat down to eat his dinner. His wife stood beside him and he beckoned her to his side and with a smile of happiness told her a choice bit of news.

A man had approached his pushcart that afternoon and picked up two penny pieces of chocolate and paid him without looking at the change. As the man walked away, Mr. Schwartz glanced at the change and held out his hand for his wife to see. In the middle of his palm were two dimes and not a month of my life has passed but I haven't recalled the joyous surprise on the face of Mrs. Schwartz, over those two dimes.

HUMAN RELATIONS

Parents Privacy

DR. ROSE N. FRANZBLAU

QUESTION: My niece has three children — two girls, 4 and 6, and a boy who just had his second birthday. They have a wonderful family relationship.

Three weeks ago my nephew placed a bench near the crib and now, during the night, the little boy climbs out, goes into the parents' room, into their bed and falls asleep. Then his father carries him back into his crib and put him into it while he's still asleep.

This has been going on for about three weeks and my niece and nephew are at a loss as to how to break him of this habit. They tried taking the bench away, but he cries. He is a happy child. My poor niece has become very nervous because of this.

ANSWER: At around the age of 3, when a child masters his physical movements and can find his way around in the dark, it often happens that he wanders into his parents' room and then climbs into their bed. The motivation is separation of the parents, so that the mother can be his exclusively. This is also behind much of the nighttime crying and the repeated call for help which occur during the night at this age.

Of course, this is not done consciously, nor is it perpetrated to hurt the parents or keep them awake. When the child comes into the parents' bed it is because he is frightened by the great desire rising within him and by the tremendous drive behind it.

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Some parents use this phase of their child's behavior to suit their own purposes. A wife whose sexual desires have waned, or who suddenly finds her husband less attractive, may use the child's intrusion into their bed as an excuse of abstinence.

Likewise, a husband who does not feel very virile may also be unconsciously grateful when another male, particularly a little one who can't do any harm, moves into the bedroom.

The child of such a couple is encouraged to continue intruding. But once the intrusion has served its purpose, the child is put back in his place. By then he doen't want to give up the place with his parents that he has come to enjoy.

The parents may have put the bench near the child's bed in relation to toilet training, so that he could go to the bathroom on his own. But the child undoubtedly interpreted this as an invitation for him to join them.

When parents become intimidated by a child's tears, which are expressions of anger at not getting what he wants or of inability to stand frustration, then the roles of parent and child have been reversed. He commands and they submit. The plea that they cannot bear their child's suffering is only a rationalization. It is easier for them to give in to him than to make a stand which might prove to be a nuisance to them.

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The little boy should be told not to come into his parents' bed, and when he does the father should immediately put him back in his own bed. This will set the limits beyond which he must not go. The bench should be removed for the time being and he should be told that it will be given back to him when he ceases to go into his parents' bed.

A child learns how to say no to himself and then to stand frustration from having his parents say no to behavior that's not good for him. This helps a child grow toward maturity.

A WEDDING IS ARRANGED...

There is nothing like a wedding to create enmities - and I don't mean between man and wife. The bloodiest enemies will invariably be the in-laws.

First is the question: where to marry? The bride and her mother will have a penchant for the New West End Synagogue, or at least Marble Arch. But the bridegroom's grandfather may have been a founder-member of the Stepney K'Hal Chassidim and his family may feel obliged to have the wedding there.

They may compromise by moving along the Central Line and settle for the Great Portland Street Synagogue.

Next comes the reception. The bride's mother (hereinafter Mrs. B. wants Claridges - but, alas, it has no facilities for kosher catering.

"It's a wedding, you've got to have kosher food," insists the groom's mother (hereinafter Mrs. G.).

"Who's paying for it?" asks B.

"I don't care who's paying for it. I want kosher food at my son's wedding."

"Your son's been eating us out of house and home for the past six months and he hasn't asked for kosher food once."

"I don't care. I want kosher food at my son's wedding."

At this point the Minister intervenes. If the reception is in Claridges he won't come.

Consternation everywhere and Mrs. B. is toying with the idea of Upper Berkely Street. Screams from Mrs. G: "The wedding is off." Mrs. B grows pale: 'I'll tell you what, we have fish."

"Fish at a wedding?" quoth Mrs. G. "That's even worse than not having it kosher."

And they decide on the Savoy.

Which brings us to the "piece de resistance": the guests.

The families put their list together, and they total some 3,000 people. They are reasonable, and after several elimination heats bring it down to 1,900. But the Savoy only seats 800.

"Well," says Mrs. B, "we'll have to keep it down to immediate family and important customers. I'll keep 700 places for my side; you have a hundred for yours."

"A hundred? I've got more than a hundred cousins alone. We'll have it fifty-fifty."

"No, we wont."

"Yes, we will."

"Who's paying for it?"

"Who's son is it?"

"Don't keep throwing your son up. I've got a daughter in this."

"All right, it's off."

At which point the bride and groom intervene, and a "modus vivendi" is reached - 450 for the one and 350 for the other - it being understood that clergy, etc. be counted on the bride's list.

All is now set for a happy occasion - but for the Top Table.

It is agreed that the Bride and Groom should be together at the top. It is further agreed that their respective parents should be beside them. Beyond that, there is trouble. The size of the table is gradually extended until they find it necessary to have an overflow. Top running down from the sides — in the same way as the minor streets leading off an expensive major one are named after the major one.

There are disputes, too, on who should sit at the Top Table proper and who should go round the bend. That, too is settled. Mrs. B begins to plan a holiday in Bermuda to recuperate - but too soon.

She has arranged for the couple and their immediate families to be borne in 1962 Rolls-Royce limousines. "She can't object to that", she says to herself.

But Mrs. G can, and does. Her brother is in the car-hire trade. "I mean it's the least I can do - my own brother, I shouldn't give him a bit of business when my only son gets married?"

"Has he got Rolls-Royces?'

"Sure he has Rolls-Royces."

"Limousines?"

"Limousines."

"1962?"

"1963."

But it transpires that he has a couple of Humbers, one 1948 and the other pre-war.

"I wouldn't be carried to my funeral in these," says Mrs. B, and Mrs. G agrees that she has a point, whereupon a quarrel develops between Mrs. G and her brother - but that is another story.

Comes the great day. The chupa is over. The dinner is held, with 300 guests round the Top Table, and 500 scattered round the rest of the hall.

The dinner is eaten, the toasts drank, the speeches made. Bride and Groom leave for a month in Italy, Mrs. B for a month in Bermuda, Mrs. G for a week-end in Margate, and no one speaks to anyone till the families come together to coo over the first happy event - but that, too, can be a source of conflict, and that too, is another story.

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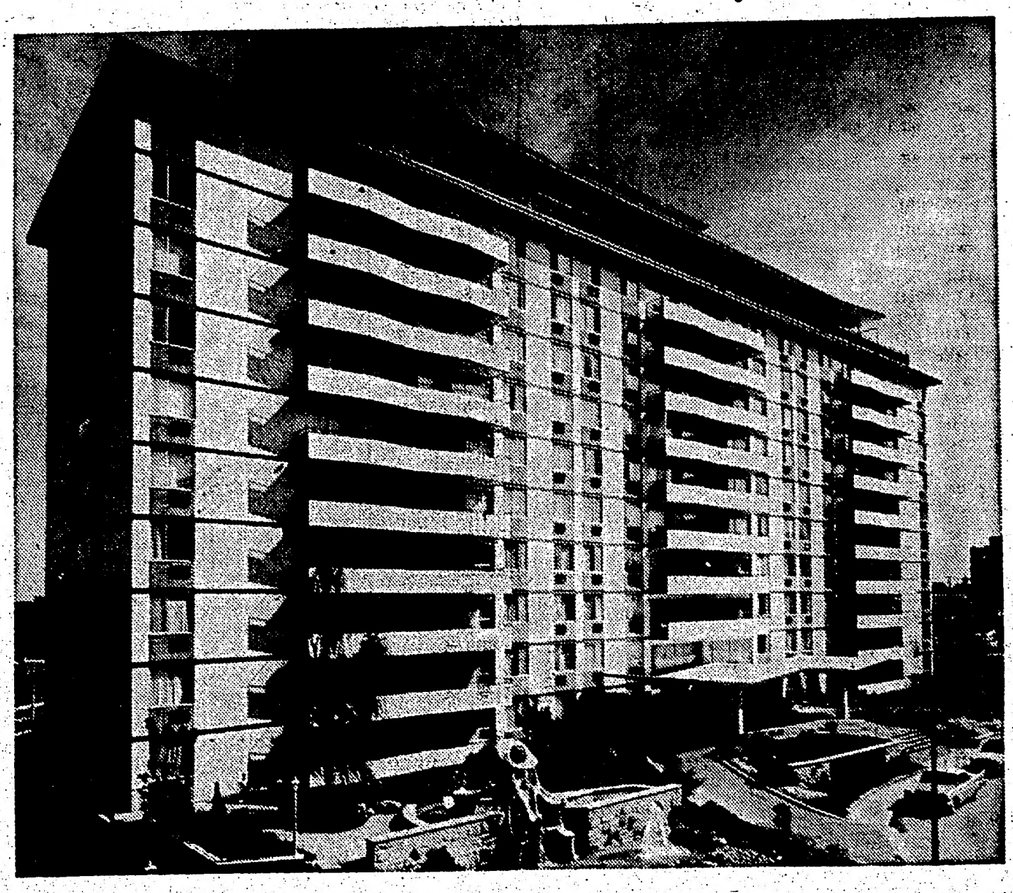

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CONFLICTS OF CONSCIENCE

MILITARY GOVERNMENT IN ISRAEL

A serious Government crisis in Israel has just been averted by the narrowest of margins — one reluctant Knesset vote.

Had the Government failed to scrape home against what were in effect votes of no confidence over the question of military government in the Arab areas, a period of caretaker government, uncertainty, indecision and recriminations would have ensued. Perhaps fresh general elections might have been the outcome, less than two years after the previous ones, which themselves were the result of a prolonged coalition crisis.

Such a development could have done serious harm to the belief in the efficacy of parliamentary democracy among sections of the population who have not come to take it for granted as the only conceivable form of government for a State under siege.

For this reason, if for no others, the decision to force the question of military government to a Knesset vote by an unusual alliance of Right and Left must be deprecated.

Any good that might conceivably have been hoped for as a result of the parliamentary victory would have been outweighed many times over the ensuing crisis.

PURIM & PRAYER

LESSON FROM THE BOOK OF ESTHER

Nowhere is the meaning of prayer more clearly revealed than in the Scroll of Esther.

On learning of the fate that Haman had in store for her people, Esther told Mordecai:

"Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast for me, and neither drink three days, night or day."

Here then is an example of prayer used to avert some great tragedy.

It is important to note as well that Esther did not rely solely on her own prayers, but called for a gathering of Jews. She wanted to pray with Klal Israel, together with the House of Israel.

From this we learn that communal or synagogal prayer is of special value in our tradition.

On Purim, of course, the Scroll of Esther is read in the synagogue and a paragraph giving thanks to the Almighty for his timely intervention is inserted in the Amida, the Eighteen Blessings.

It stresses the lesson: unity through prayer, — prayer in unison. One cannot remain pious within his own confines, in a spiritual ivory tower.

GERMAN REPARATIONS

BEFORE THE LEAN YEARS

At their meeting in New York this week-end the Directors of the Jewish Claims Conference should take a very serious view of their responsibilities.

The seven years of plenty are due to end next year and whatever new sources of income are found they are unlikely to bring in anything comparable to the vast sums of money already allocated under the Reparations Agreement with Western Germany.

The funds available to the Claims Conference have been spent with a free hand, and perhaps sometimes not altogether wisely.

The time has come to husband what resources remain to provide for the future. This should be the Conference's main task, not the struggle for allocation of funds between conflicting interests.

The Conference should also prepare to play its part in pressing for action to remedy shortcomings and omissions in existing indemnification legislation.

Dr. Adenauer has announced his intention of retiring, and while there is good reason to believe that progress will continue to be made even after Dr. Adenauer's departure this will undoubtedly entail hard work and clear thinking and makes it imperative that the Conference should rise above narrow considerations.

NKRUMAH'S PEACE PLAN

WILL NASSER ACCEPT IT?

Ghana Premier Nkrumah's statement on the Palestine question must be understood primarily within the context of regional politics.

The same motivation which led the Ghanaian President to take an active part in forming the Casablanca group and in the conference of non-aligned nations has led him to issue a manifesto on Middle Eastern affairs in general.

In itself, the statement has its positive sides and represents a clear advance on statements by the Casablanca and "Afro-Asian Solidarity" groups which Dr. Nkrumah or his representatives have signed. The desire to keep the Middle East out of Great Power conflicts is an unexceptionable —if distant—aim. The recognition that Israel has come to stay and that Israel-Arab peace is essential to the well-being of the whole region is welcome.

However, Dr. Nkrumah's reference to United Nations frontiers has given rise to misunderstandings, though the semi-official clarification from Accra that this refers to the armistice lines goes some way towards allaying Israeli fears.

So far, the statement does not appear to have evoked any marked reaction in the Arab world. Nevertheless, the main tenor of Dr. Nkrumah's statement cannot conceivably have pleased the Egyptians, or the Jordanians, at whose expense any new Arab State, such as suggested by Dr. Nkrumah, would have to be carved out.

PERTINENT REMINDER

LOUIS FINKELSTEIN ON THE SABBATH

Dr. Louis Finkelstein, revered chancellor of America's Jewish Theological Seminary, published last month a remarkable pamphlet entitled: Religion.

Dr. Finkelstein, the rabbi and teacher of Conservative Jewry, picks apart the cynicism and lightheadedness with which some North American Jews, laymen as well as rabbis, ordinary members of the fold as well as leaders, treat the essential elements of our Torah tradition.

First of all, Rabbi Finkelstein states that the great challenge facing North American Jewry today is to persuade rabbis and teachers as well as the layman that it is everyone's "business to try to be great."

In a courageous, frontal attack against Amaratzut (ignorance of Judaism), the eminent scholar further states that North American Jews "know virtually as little about Judaism as the Christians do. We have a terrific problem just trying to explain Judaism to the Jews.'

Dr. Finkelstein also considers that "Jews — qua Jews — have no great spiritual or moral influence on America, except in philanthropy. "Organized philanthropy is one commandment certain to be fulfilled."

Dr. Finkelstein then blasts those who desecrate the Jewish Sabbath. "Shabbat," he declares, "was the day set aside by Judaism for Jews to be Jews and nothing but Jews. It was strictly observed as a day for study and for living as a Jew. It is a day on which Jews should mingle with fellow Jews on a spiritual plane, a day on which they should meditate ,a day on which they should spend at home, a day of complete rest, a day of cessation of work, of cessation of worry and anxiety. If you abandon that to play golf or to go shopping or to go to work or to do a million-and-one other things, that is a great calamity, and it has befallen us as Jews in America."

NIKITA TO JFK: Anyway, I don't like the new Iraq bartender ...
Dosh, Maariv, Tel Aviv

SENSATION IN WASHINGTON

APARTHEID

THE FOLLOWING REPORT APPEARED IN THE LONDON TIMES:

Negroes, who have long regarded Washington as a symbol of the good life, are nevertheless still compelled to live a double existence here, mingling freely with whites during the day but at dusk retiring to a separate world. President Kennedy recently took cognizanze of this situation when he criticized Congress for providing inadequate funds in the past, and the Executive for paying insufficient attention to the need for better schools, housing, and welfare. He appointed a special adviser to expiate the sins of the White House in this respect: whether Congress will follow suit remains to be seen.

In this city, a Negro can aspire to positions of great power (although perhaps not yet the greatest). He can dine with the President or with the nation's intellectual and cultural elite at the recently desegregated Cosmos Club. He can live in a $75,000 home overlooking a beautiful park on a salary far higher than many a white man earns in Mississippi, Georgia, or Tennessee. Expensive shops and cafes seek his patronage, and he has recently acquired the chance to play for the Washington Redskins football club.

LIKE PACK OF WOLVES

Yet in a city that furnishes the Negro with what has been called "a beacon of hope", thousands of young Negroes roamed through the stadium after a football game on Thanksgiving Day like "a pack of wolves", to quote a police report. Armed with knives, clubs, bottles, and chains, and screaming "Get the whites", they attacked priests, policemen, men, women, and children; 300 persons, most of them white, were injured. By any test it was a race riot, one of the worst this or any city has seen recently. It differed in but one respect from the riots over schoolchildren in Little Rock or the Freedom Riders in Montgomery: most of the offenders were Negro.

Southern Congressmen, who rule the city through Congressional committees, blamed the incident on the folly of school desegregation. A blue-ribbon citizens' investigating committee blamed the schools for inadequate discipline. Educators blamed the overemphasis on athletics. Negroes blamed social conditions. Whoever or whatever the cause, the riot exposed the "other reality" of Washington, which permits the two races to work, study, shop, and eat together from nine to five every weekday, but demands that they go their separate ways at sundown.

As in most bi-racial cities in the United States, the white world is suburbia and the Negro world is downtown. Washington is distinctive only because it is the first major city to have a Negro majority, and that only in the past 20 years. From the time of Abraham Lincoln until the present Negroes have accounted for some 25 per cent of the entire metropolitan population now they approach 60 per cent of the population of the District of Columbia, and 83 per cent of the children in the district's public schools are Negroes.

The main cause of this apartheid, however, is simply housing discrimination. In the better neighbourhoods of the city, and in all the suburbs, the restrictive covenant was found by the Civil Rights Commission to be in almost universal use. This document, although found by the Supreme Court to have no legal validity, is still effective. It reads: —

"No part of the land hereby conveyed shall ever be used, or occupied by or sold, demised, transferred, conveyed unto, or in trust for, leased, or rented or given, to Negroes, or any person or persons of Negro blood or extraction, or to any person of the Semitic race, blood or origin, which racial description shall be deemed to include Armenians, Jews, Hebrews, Persians and Syrians."

Purim

Light And Joy

"The giving of charity according to one's means is a positive mitzva, which demands greater care in its fulfilment than all the other positive mitzvot of the Torah." Rabbi Jacob ben Asher.

THESE words of Jacob ben Asher written in the fourteenth century, form the basis of the observance of Purim today. We all know how the Jewish people were saved by Queen Esther and her uncle Mordecai from the wickedness of Haman, and how the festival is celebrated by the reading of the megila and by the sending of presents to our friends and gifts to the poor.

IMPORTANT LESSON

The distribution of presents and gifts teaches us an important lesson, namely, that the joy of deliverance must never be regarded simply as a joy because we, as individuals, were saved. We rejoice because others were saved with us. ..Haman made ..no distinction between the rich and the poor,, and everyone alike was doomed to die. Therefore, on Purim everyone has equal cause to be happy. The poor, who are often the first to suffer in times of danger, are the first to be helped when the danger is past.

Purim is celebrated with great merriment; in fact, there is a Yiddish folk-saying, which states that "on Purim everything.. is allowed." Purim songs have been introduced in the synagogue, and certain of the verses of the Megillah are sung in chorus. The practice of stamping and rattling at the mention of Haman's name dates back to French and German rabbis of the thirteenth century, who wanted to "blot out the memory of Amalek" (an ancestor of Haman). As early as the fifth century, and right up to the Middle Ages, it was customary to burn a model of Haman on Purim, and children used to dance round it while it burned.

The practice of boys and girls walking from house to house, collecting charity ..and ..exchanging baskets of fruit and sweets, has been revived among. Jews today in Israel, and also here. The Hebrew phrase ad lo yada — which today is used to describe carnival procession in Tel Aviv—is derived from the passage in the Talmud that "it is the duty of every person to be ..happy on Purim until he does not know (ad lo yada) whether to bless Mordecai and curse Haman, or the other way about." The procession in Israel depicts Biblical and modern ..episodes in the history of our people.

Although the Megillah, literally Scroll (i.e. Scroll or Book of Esther) is usually read in Hebrew, it may be read in any language which the congregation best understands. It is chanted differently from other portions of the Bible. It has long been a custom to unroll the whole of the scroll and to fold it into pages to give it the appearance of a letter (Igeret). Women (and girls) as well as men (and boys) must observe the mitzva of hearing the Megillah, because it was through ..the courage of Queen Esther that the Jewish people were saved.

Such importance is attached to Purim (the name itself comes from a Persian ..word, ..meaning "lots") that it has been said it will long be remembered after every other festival is forgotten. The Megillah itself records these words: "These days shall be remembered throughout every generation . . these days of Purim shall not pass from among the Jews, nor the memory of them perish from their seed.

Mordecai and Esther plead before Ahasuerus.
(From an ancient Megillah illustration)

CANADIAN PANORAMA

By MORDECAI HIRSHENSON

PERSONAL ALIYAH

● Chiel Green who was the secretary and administrator of the Borochov School and Kindergarten, the Achdut Avola-Poale Zion, the Independent Friendly Workmen's Circle, has left Toron to after more than 40 years residence and now with his wife is a resident of Israel where his two sons settled in previous years.

Green was known in Zionist and communal circles and represented his movement the "Left Poale Tsion" on international Zionist bodies. He was secretary and administrator of the movement's North American organ formerly known as "Proletarisher Gedank" and now "Undzer Veg."

THE QUEER QUORUM

Paddy Chayefsky with his Tenth Man seems to have started a vogue in script writing fashions—the minyan is now the rage on T.V. and stage.

The peculiar extremes to which this fashion can be carried in the brain of an inventive but uninformed playwright was evident in a T.V. play seen hereabouts the other week on Channel Four. In an episode of the series known as "Naked City" the scene was laid in a Jewish Aged Home in the Old East side of New York. The inmates of the Moishev Z'keinim were seated in the bes-medrash waiting for a tenth man for the minyan, to begin their pre-vesper devotions, the mincha. Going out in the street—the neighbourhood now being devoid of Jews — a Puerto Rican was recruited for the sacred mitzvah of helping form the quorum.

The wondering Puerto Rican, awed by the strange Hebraic tongue and the prayer-rites going on about him, responded during the mincha by praying in his own way—i.e. fingering the crucifix which he drew from a pocket while he mumbled an invocation in Spanish.

At the end of the mincha while the minyan-leader presses a bill into his hand and one of the blind davveners says a prayer for his expectant wife, the bewildered Puerto Rican reciprocates by presenting his cherished crucifix to the beared Jews as sign of his appreciation.

Any relation of this incident to plausibility, conformity to halacha and to any actual practice is of course utterly non-existent. But what does it matter as long as the literary genre started by Chayefsky—the vogue of the "tenth man"—is perpetuated?

NEWS FROM CZERNOWITZ

In connection with the recent news about the closure of what was probably the last synagogue in Czernowitz (now UESR) a personal report of a Polish Jew who recently visited that city has a certain relevance.

This man, now a Toronto resident, visited Czernowitz (now called Chernovtsy by the Russians) in December 1960 on a brief visit from Warsaw.

Czernowitz, which historically was never part of the Russian realm, was annexed to the Soviet Ukraine after World War II. Prior to that it belonged to Roumania and before World War I it was the capital of the province of Bukowina in the old Austrian Empire of the Hapsburgs. It was in the latter period that Czernowitz and Bukowina as a whole were at their peak culturally. Under the benevolent paternalism of Franz Josef its Jews acquired Austro-German culture but remained at the same time Yiddish-speaking at home—a feat that the Jews of Germany had failed to accomplish in the previous century.

The present Toronto resident reports that two years ago there were as many as 70,000 Jews in Czernowitz. In other cities of the Ukraine which have been part of the Soviet system for 45 years the Jews are by now more or less Russified in language. In Czernowitz, however, Yiddish is spoken everywhere, even by the younger generation.

Despite the language's obvious popularity there is not the slightest provision for its recognition. No newspaper in the language exists, no library has any facilities for it. As everywhere else in the USSR there are no Jewish organizations—social or cultural—permitted.

In 1957 when a travelling artist arrived in Czernowitz for the first time in almost ten years, to do some public readings of Sholem Aleichem thousands flocked to hear him despite his mediocrity as a performer—so great was the thirst for "a Jewish word."

SYNAGOGUE DENOUNCED

In 1960 there was also anti-synagogue agitation in Czernowitz. It was directed against the "Great Synagogue" and the charges made in the local Communist newspaper were that the shul had become "a nest of drunkards and criminals." What had happened — according to the Toronto informant — was that provocateurs had entered the synagogues and enabled the charges of drunkenness to be levelled. The result: the Great Synagogue was shut down.

And, in 1963 comes the turn of the remaining synagogue.

SERMON OF THE WEEK

BEFORE GOD AND MAN

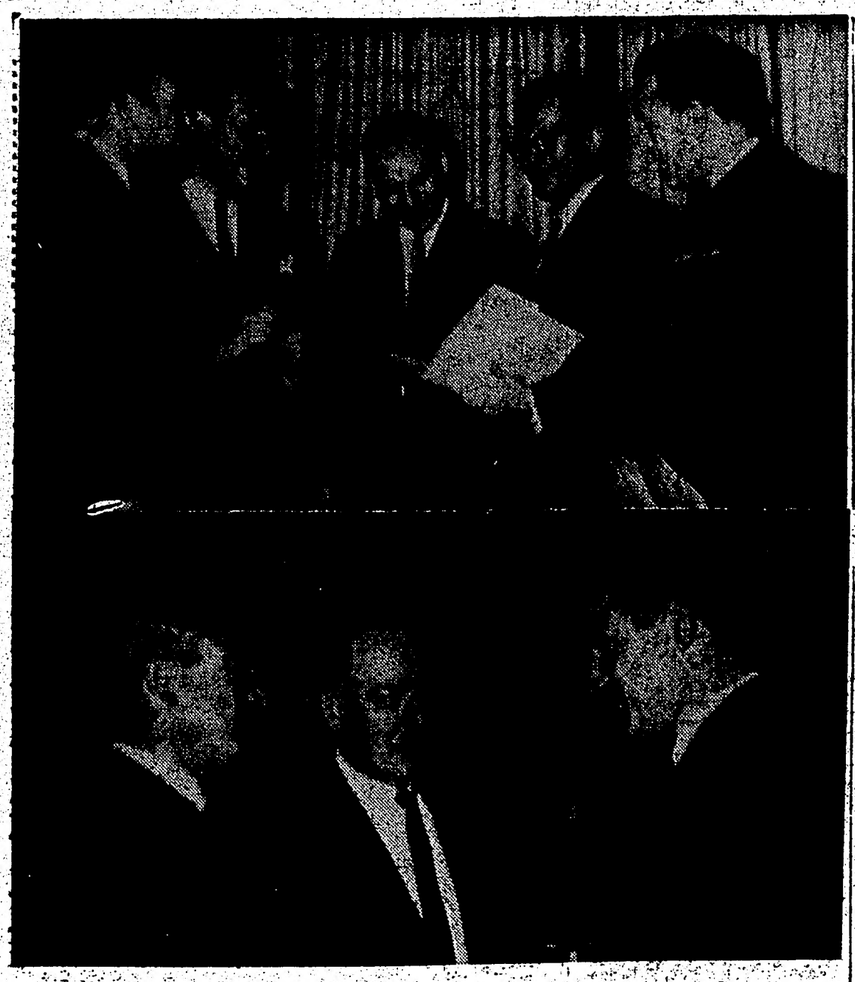
The special Scriptural reading for this Sabbath is the injunction ever to remember the perfidy of Amalek. His completely unprovoked attack on the children of Israel when they emerged from bondage makes him the prototype of the irrational antisemite. It is more than doubtful genealogy which came to see in Haman his descendant. The spiritual descent is more authentic than the genealogical.

And yet, despite this emphasis in the Bible both passages dealing with it, of the unwarranted nature of this attack, the rabbis seem to feel that the suggestion that the Jew is always but the blameless victim of this manifestation of Amalek constitutes a spiritual challenge to the Jew soberly to examine himself and to consider whether in fact he may not in some way contribute towards it. In both passages of the Scripture dealing with his perfidy they clearly lay down the challenge. In the first, by a play on the word "Rephidim", where the attack took place, they comment, "Amalek attacks when the hold of the Jew on the Torah is weakened." And since the verse which precedes the special portion which we shall read deals with the duty of commercial probity and integrity, they comment that debased standards of conduct on the part of the Jew create just those conditions which make the terrain of the atttack favourable to Amalek.

These two comments complement one another. The one enjoins certain standards of conduct upon the Jew in relation to himself, in what are called "the duties between man and God"; the other deals with his conduct in his relations with his fellowmen. The lowering of one's spiritual sights in each of them opens the door to the nefarious machinations of the Amaleks of all ages. Both the Jew who is unworthy of his spiritual heritage and the Jew whose conduct is a matter for reproach prepare the ground for Amalek.

If the Jew is enjoined to maintain a high ethical standard, and to open his soul to Divine influences, it is not because of the consequences which his failure to do so may bring upon him, at the hands of his fellowmen. Such a hedonistic and utilitarian approach to ethics is foreign to the spirit of Judaism, which demands standards of conduct for their own sake, and not because of any benefits which he may derive from them. It is because this is the way of life enjoined by God, even if, as so often happens, it redounds to his own material loss and disadvantage. That certainly was the case with Mordecai. If his proud refusal to bow before mortal man brought about the enmity of Haman, that was no reason for a lowering of these standards. The only motive behind one's actions should be "that ye be blameless before God and man."

But after all that has been said, surely there is a gnomic wisdom in these sober observations of our rabbis, even though it be but a secondary consideration. The Jew who holds on the Torah is weakened, the Jew whose lack of commercial probity brings him into disrepute provides a welcome rationale for the irrational dislike of which he has been the victim throughout the ages. Fortunate indeed is that Jew who with a clear conscience can say, "Nothing that I have done has contributed towards the winds of ill-will that blow."



AT KICK-OFF DINNER. The Men's Apparel Division opened its campaign on behalf of Toronto's 1963 United Jewish Appeal with a dinner at the Primrose Club. The affair was termed "highly successful" by co-chairmen Jeff Cohen and Abbey Lipson. In top photo (from left) are: Jeff Cohen; Sol James; Harry Jonas; Abbey Lipson, and Lou Gula, Jobbers and Textiles Group chairman. At bottom from left are: Mort Spiar; Max Aiken; and George Vale, Men's and Boys' Wear Sportswear Group chairman.

ARAB SHEIKH GETS ISRAELI ARMY MEDAL

Jerusalem, (JCNS) When Sheikh Mansur Abu Muamr invited some Jewish guests to the Moslem feast of Id el Fitr he included Lieutenant-Colonel Pinhas Amir, the Military Governor of the Negev, Lieutenant-Colonel Yehoshua Verbin, of headquarters, and the Negev's first Military Governor, former Lieutenant-Colonel Michael Hanegbi.

After the second ceremonial cup of coffee the Sheikh was agreeably surprised when Lieutenant-Colonel Verbin rose and presented him with the 1948 Army Campaign ribbon. The Sheikh had rendered valuable service before, during and since the establishment of the State, said Lieutenant-Colonel Verbin, not for money or material reward but at the dictate of his conscience.

Recovering from his surprise the Sheikh, the first member of was the highest honour he had any of Israel's minorities to be ever received and "more valuawarded the ribbon, said that it able" to him "than gold."

TORONTO OBITUARIES

COHEN, Dora. On February 28th, late of the Jewish Home for the Aged.

KIRSH, Sharon. On February 25th, late of 117 Collinson Blvd.

STEIN, Louis. On February 28th, late of 226 Niagara St.

Services arranged by College Memorial Chapel, 331 College St.

BERSTOCK, Marvyn. On February 25th, late of 6 Dorchester Ave.

CAPLAN, Rose. On February 27th, late of 63 Robert St.

COHEN, Sally. On February 24th, late of 59 Westdale Dr.

EDBERG, Wolfe. On February 27th, late of the Jewish Home for the Aged.

PARKER, Dr. Arthur. On February 26th, late of 1860 Bathurst St.

POTASH, Lena. On March 1st, late of 2 Flanders Rd. and Belleville, Ontario.

RABENOVICH, Dr William. On March 2nd, late of 412 Huron St. and Montreal, Quebec.

STEINBERG, Joseph. On March 1st, late of 169 Walmer Rd.

WEISBROT, Max. On February 24th, late of the Jewish Home for the Aged.

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BETH TZEDEC

● **Beth Tzedec Men's Club** will inaugurate its four successive Tuesday evening lectures, Spring Academy, commencing Tuesday, March 12th. Discussion groups will take place from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. Topic: Conservative Judaism —Its Dilemmas And Its Opportunities.

● On Sunday morning, March 10th, members of **Chevra** will conduct a Purim Carnival for children 6 to 12 years of age.

SHAAREI SHOMAYIM

● **Shaarei Shomayim Brotherhood** will hold its annual fathers-and-sons Purim breakfast on Sunday morning, March 10th. The **Bar Mitzvah Club,** under the leadership of **Bernard Green** and **Melvin Kay,** will entertain.

● On Sunday morning, March 10th, a Purim carnival for children between ages 7-12 will be held in the Sisterhood hall.

● **Brotherhood** and **Sisterhood** will hold a Purim party the same evening. An original Yiddish-English musical, written by **Lilly Reiss** and produced by **Elaine Spring,** will be presented by **Sisterhood Dramatic Group.**

● The annual Purim festival of the scouts and cubs of Metropolitan Toronto will be held in the social hall on Wednesday evening, March 13th.

BETH TORAH

● A sermon entitled: Remember How Not To Forget—A Lesson in Historical Realities, will be given by **Rabbi Benjamin Hauer,** spiritual leader of Beth Torah, on Saturday morning, March 9th. It will be followed by a kiddush given by **Mr. and Mrs. Mark Goldenberg.**

● The "Book of Esther" will be read Saturday evening, March 9th, at 7:30, followed by a Purim reception for members and their families.

● On Sunday morning, following services, **Mr. and Mrs. Morris Herling** will be hosts at a Purim breakfast in honor of their son **Seymore's** bar mitzvah.

BETH AM

● At their annual dinner on Wednesday, March 27th, the **Beth Am Men's Club** will have as guest speaker **Mr. C. D. Wilson.**

● The following USYers attended the United Synagogue Youth Convention held in Ottawa recently: **Frank Berns, Gary Bossin, Patty Dolman, Jan Freedman, Shirley Gryffe, Beverley Marshall, Howie Binstock, Harriette Caplan, Beverley Fillilac, Marlene Goldberg, Elaine Levine, Harvey Meirovich, Maurice Meirovich, Judy Raab, Susan Sherr, Georgina Spring, Howie Weisberg, Sherin Polansky, Barby Rotenberg, Barb Spergel, Bella Weinberg.** They were accompanied by **Mrs. Jack Freedman** Sisterhood Youth representative and **Mrs. Al Binstock,** president of the Ontario Branch, National Women's League.

HOLY BLOSSOM

● On Thursday, March 14th, 8:15 p.m., the Holy Blossom Parent Council will present a parents-students panel discussion in the Philip Smith Congregational Hall. The panel: **Dr. A. A. Epstein,** Temple president, **Mrs. Gurston Allen,** parents; **David Freeman, Frances Paulin,** high school students; **Dr. Paul Steinhauer,** child psychiatrist, moderator.

SHOMRAI SHOBOTH CONGREGATION

● On Purim eve, Saturday, March 9th, the reading of the Megillah will take place at 7:30 p.m.; on Sunday, 8:30 a.m. Breakfast will be served after the reading. Also, on Sunday, March 10th, 10:00 a.m., **Sisterhood** will tender a Purim party.

BETH SHOLOM

● 47 **Beth Sholom Yayers** attended the Regional Conference recently in Ottawa. **Gerah Hundert** was elected president of the region; **Judy Carson,** also of Beth Sholom, was elected recording secretary. **Sidney Morayniss,** youth director of Beth Sholom USY, addressed the convention. Beth Sholom staff members who attended are: **Jerry Swartz, Bernice Koretsky** and **Mel Merkur.**

● **Beth Sholom Youth** will tender a theater night on Thursday, March 7th, at 7:45 p.m. in the Gerald Schwartz Memorial Auditorium.

● During the weekend of March 8th-10th, **Brotherhood** will celebrate its bar mitzvah anniversary. Beth Sholom Brotherhood was the first synagogue Men's Club in Canada to create a Brotherhood Award for splendid achievement in the field of humanitarian service, presented annually to a person or persons deemed worthy, through contribution to the cause of Brotherhood by being the friend and benefactor of all men regardless of race, creed or color.

NER ISRAEL

● On Wednesday, March 13th, **Rabbi Jacob I. Ruderman** head of Ner Israel in Baltimore, will deliver a **shiur** at the Yeshiva, 625 Finch Avenue.

BETH EMETH

● On Purim-Sabbath, March 9th Beth Emeth will be host to members of **United Synagogue Youth, Talis and Tefillin Club** and **Thursday Morning Minyanaires.** Following morning services, with members of the Talis and Tefillin Club and USYers conducting the entire service in the main sanctuary, a kiddush and luncheon will be served at which time **Rabbi Joseph Kelman,** spiritual leader of Beth Emeth, will address the group. Afterwards an Oneg Shabbat will take place, with **Mr. Pesach Schindler,** principal and director of youth activities of Adath Israel, delivering a talk on Purim. **Gershon Hundred** and **Seymour Epstein,** president and past president respectively of the Eastern Canadian Region USY, will lead the discussion.

Samuel Faivish is chairman of the Beth Emeth Youth Commission. **Mrs. Mona Cohen, Mrs. Belle Kasdan** and **Mr. Saul Morganstein,** leaders of the USY, will direct the entire Shabbos program.

● A special program will be held Sunday, March 10th, **Brotherhood** will hold a breakfast in honor of Purim.

TORAH V'AVODAH

● The Torah V'Avodah Congregation will hold a Purim Melavah Malka after reading of the Megillah at the Vaughan Road Center at 9:00 p.m. **Mr. C. Weinberg** will speak about Purim. Leaders of the **B'nei Akivah** will participate.

Cultural events at Torah V'avodah are as follows: Vaughan Road Center — Shabboth morning, 8:30, Chumash-Rashi hiur, Shabbath afternoon, 5:00, Talmud Shiur, Sholosh S'udoth, 'Nach' Shiur, Wednesday evening, 8:30, Talmud Shiur with **Rabbi G. Felder;** Markham Street Shabbath morning, 8:00, Talmud Shiur, After T'fillath Shacharith, Talmud Shiur, Shabbath afternoon, 5:00, Chumash Rashi Shiur Sholosh S'Udoth, 'Nash' Shiur.

CLANTON PARK

● The dedication of the Clanton Park Synagogue sanctuary will take place on the weekend of March 16th. **Rabbi Dr. N. Rabinowitch** of Charleston, S.C., newly elected spiritual leader of Clanton Park, will be guest. On Saturday, 9:30 a.m., a choral service will be held and Rabbi Dr. Rabinovitch will deliver the sermon. On Saturday at 9:00 p.m., in the social hall, a Melavah Malkah will be held when Rabbi Rabinovitch will be main speaker. On Sunday afternoon, 2:30-4:00 p.m., a reception will be held at the home of **Mr. and Mrs. J. Wagner** at 43 York Downs.

ADATH ISRAEL CONGREGATION

● **Rabbi Albert Pappenheim** will deliver the initial lecture in a series of three sessions devoted to the Study of Jewish Law on Thursday, March 14th. Topic of the address will be: The Jewish Calendar.

● Pupils of the elementary classes of **Adath Israel Congregational School** will participate in a Purim masquerade assembly on Thursday, March 7th. The school's primary department will hold its Purim party and masquerade on Sunday, March 10th. The program will include interpretive dancing and a Purim side show.

● Members of the **Adath Israel Brotherhood** will honor their sons and daughters at a special breakfast on Sunday, March 17th.

● The Congregation's Purim masquerade ball sponsored by the **Brotherhood** and **Sisterhood** will take place on Saturday, March 9th.

WARSAW YIDDISH PAPER IN TROUBLE

Warsaw, (JCNS) The size of the Warsaw "Folks-Sztime," the Yiddish daily of the Cultural and Social Union of Polish Jews, is to be reduced from six to four pages on two days of the week.

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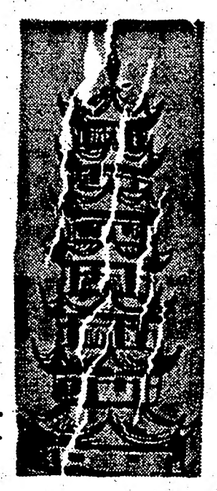

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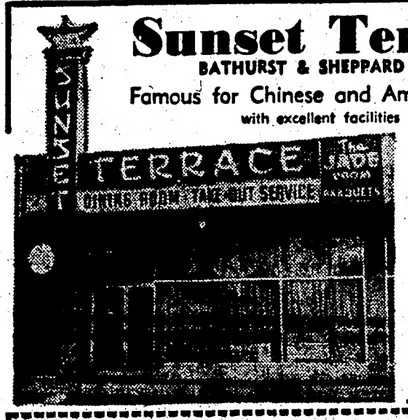

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● **The Y's Good Age Group Dramatic Club** will present a play in Yiddish for those of the Home for the Aged on Sunday, March 10th, 7:30 p.m.

● **The New Canadian Theater** is presenting I Remember Mama at the Crest on Sunday, March 10th, 7:00 p. m. The cast is made up chiefly of ethnic groups.

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SUPREME TEST

An atheist once came to see a wonder-working rabbi.

"**Sholom aleichem,** Rabbi," said the atheist.

"**Aleichem sholom,**" answered the rabbi.

The atheist took a coin and handed it to him. The rabbi pocketed it without a word.

"No doubt you've come to see me about something," he said. "Maybe your wife is childless and you want me to pray for her?"

"No, Rabbi, I'm not married," replied the atheist.

Thereupon, he gave the rabbi another coin. Again the rabbi pocketed it without a word.

"But there must be something you wish to ask me," he said. "Possibly you've committed a sin and you'd like me to intercede with God for you."

"No, Rabbi, I don't know of any sin I've committed," replied the atheist. And again he gave the rabbi a coin and again the rabbi pocketed it without a word.

"Maybe business is bad and you want me to bless you?" asked the rabbi, hopefully.

"No, Rabbi, this has been a prosperous year for me," answered the atheist.

Once more the atheist gave him a coin.

"What do you want of me, anyway?" asked the rabbi, a little perplexed.

"Nothing, just nothing," replied the atheist. "I merely wished to see how long a man can go on taking money for nothing!"

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ISRAELI PREMIERE IS SENSATION OF DUBLIN

Dublin (JCNS). — A capacity audience which included Mr. Yitzhak Unna, First Secretary and Cultural Attaché of the Israeli Embassy in London, filled the Gate Theatre, Dublin, on Tuesday night for the European première of "The Lady of the Manor", by the Israeli playwright and poetess Lea Goldberg.

Set in an East European country two years after the war, the play deals with the arrival of two Israeli officials in search of surviving Jewish children at a castle where the caretaker, actually the former and naturally disgruntled owner, had hidden a Jewish child throughout the Nazi occupation.

After the performance, Mr. Unna presented the producer Miss Nora Leaver, and the cast with an album of Israeli sketches. He congratulated all concerned on an excellent production and expressed the hope that there would be an increase in the cultural relations between two countries which had so much in common.

THE FERSHKOS COMING TO TORONTO

Hayim and Sarah Fershko will be in Toronto on Wednesday evening, March 20th to perform at the Beth Sholom where the signing of the Remembrance Book for The Ghetto Fighters' Museum in Israel will take place. The Fershko's interpretaton of ghetto songs, and the rich heritage of east European Yiddish music, is called by critics "an unforgettable experience."

Hayim and Sarah Fershko are unique artistis. Mr. Fershko is a powerful pianist and a talented composer. He has appeared in many major cities in the U. S. and was heard many times over Kol Yisrael, the Israeli broadcasting system.

A graduate of the Warsaw Conservatory, Hayim Fershko was trapped in Warsaw when the Nazis invaded Poland and experienced the brutality which was common in the ghetto. After the war he accomplished the unusual feat of learning to play with his right hand only, and has made a solid reputation both as an interpretive artist and as a serious composer. He is also his wife's accompanist.

Sarah Fershko, also a graduate of the Warsaw Conservatory, was a brilliant young violinist when the war broke out. In the Ghetto her career was interrupted and then drastically curtailed, for Mrs. Fershko too, lost her left arm. After the war she determined to pursue her musical career using her lovely, mezzo soprano voice. Her vast musical training is apparent in the inevitable good taste with which she interprets Yiddish and Hebrew music.

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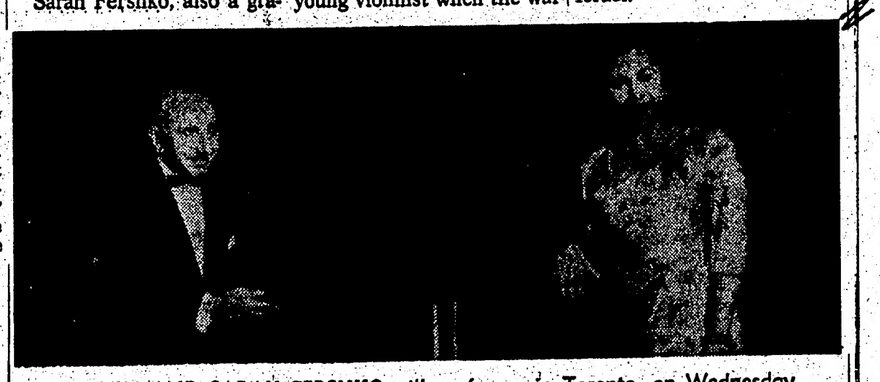
Israel Stolarsky of New York will bring greetings to the Remembrance Book ceremony. Mr. Stolarsky is Associate Director of Histadrut in the United States.

Greetings will also be heard from Abraham Shurem, National Director of Histadrut in Canada. Mr. Shurem has been a lifelong Labour Zionist. The evening at which Mr. Shurem and Mr. Stolarsky will speak is devoted to signing the Remembrance Book dedicated to the destroyed towns and villages of east Europe. 100 Jewish Folk Organizations will participate in the signing and the Book will be taken to the Ghetto Fighters' Museum in Kibbutz Lochamei Hagettaot in Israei.



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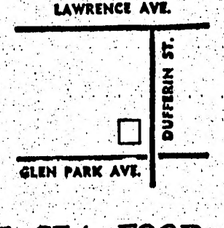

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Cast: Dahlia Lawie, Gert Hoffmann, Mischa Eisenberg, Uri Zohar, Oded Kotler, Gila Almagor, Nathan Cogan, Shejk Ode Abu M'Amor. Credits: script, Peter Frei and Raphael Nussbaum; music, Siegfried Wegener; camera, Wolf Goethe, Mimisch Herbst; cut, Ise Voigt, Erika von Stegmann; sound, Klaus Buckendahl; production, Henry Roth; photography, Eliahu Gordon; costumes, Hans Schmalor; directed by Raphael Nussbaum.

Tucked away on Bayview Avenue, south of Eglinton, is the Fine Arts Theater (formerly Bayview) which is home for foreign films. This week, for a limited period, one can see Blazing Sand, an Israeli picture in German dialogue with English subtitles.

The film stars Dahlia Lawie, Haifa's answer to Ava Gardner, who is cast in the role of provocative Dina ambitious to the point of even murder.

The plot, though not original, is interesting. Via the sex routine, Dina succeeds in obtaining the aid of four men to help her find her lover who lies hurt in a cave of an ancient temple where he has found valuable scrolls.

The trip from Tel Aviv, through the desert, across the border into enemy territory, provides many a nerve wracking, exciting moment.

Dina finds her lover, who dies defore the group begins its homeward trek. Meanwhile, through stealth and death, the scrolls wander from one hand to another.

Eventually, at the borderline of home, Dina succumbs, leaving but one survivor out of five.

The fate of the scrolls? That is a surprise worth finding out.

The film is adroitly handled. Photos are beautiful. However, one adverse observation must be noted. One wonders why a German dialogue was substituted for the original Hebrew.

Summation: one of the best films ever produced in Israel. But a great big booboo for the language of the dialogue.

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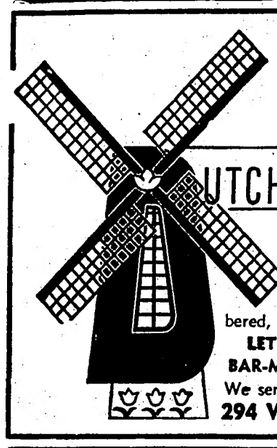

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MAINLY ABOUT WOMEN

By ESTHER ZELDIN

● **Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's Organization** will hold a meeting in the Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue on Monday, March 4th.

Mrs. I. I. Lieff of Montreal national president will be guest speaker. She will show films and slides of nurseries, community centres and schools in Israel maintained by the organization, taken, when she attended the recent 20th World Conference in Israel of the Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Movement.

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● "The Politics of Jewish Life" was discussed by **Meyer Sharzer**, director, Central Region, Canadian Jewish Congress, at a meeting of **National Council of Jewish Women**, in the home of **Mrs. S. S. Berlin**, president of Toronto section.

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● **Philadons Service Group, Inc.** will present its annual tea and fashion show on Monday, March 18th, in North Toronto Memorial Gardens. The program will feature **Barbara Gryfe** child soloist. Conveners are **Mrs. Edward Schrieber** and **Mrs. Jack Ashrow. Dorothy Silverberg** is fashion coordinator.

A meeting conducted by **Mrs. B. Noyek** was held recently in the home of **Mrs. Bernice Cohen.**

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● **Rabbi Irwin Schild** spoke at an executive meeting of the **Adath Israel Sisterhood**, presided over **Mrs. David Silverman**, vice president. A D'var Torah on Purim was delivered by **Mrs. Cyril Epton.** Reports were given by: **Mrs. Abraham Collis**, minutes; **Mrs. Sam Shain**, correspondance; **Mrs. Bernard Caplan**, treasurer; **Mrs. Sam Taft**, C. E. A. C.; **Mrs. Terry Warren**, Ontario Branch, spring conference; **Mrs. J. Lewis**, Jewish Congress; **Mrs. Henry Rosenberg**, Torah fund; **Mrs. Sam Solomon**, youth program; **Mrs. Philip Ely**, donor treasurer; **Mrs. Terry Warren**, Purim Ball; **Mrs. Sidney Silverman**, parliamentarian; **Mrs. Edward Morrison**, bowling; **Mrs. Robert Kay**, U.J.A.

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● **Beth Hayeled Nursery, Associated Hebrew Schools**, will hold a parents-teachers meeting on Wednesday, March 27th, in the North Bathurst Talmud Torah.

Miss Dorothy Medhurst of the Institute of Child Study will lecture on Your Child's Art.

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● **Dr. Emanuel Goldberg**, principal of the Bialik Day School, will be guest speaker at a meeting of the Jewish history class of the **New Fraternal Jewish Association**, on March 8th, in its Overbrook Place quarters. His topic will be: Maimonides — The crowning Glory of the Golden Age in Spain.

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● A meeting of the **Ner Israel Ladies Auxiliary** was conducted by **Mrs. S. Goldstein** in the home of **Mrs. I. Korzen.**

Reports were heard from: **Mrs. S. Weisblatt**, goodwill cards; **Mrs. H. Reichman**, tea committee. **Mrs. W. Gordon**, guest speakers, outlined the story of Purim.

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● **Members of the Music Group, National Council of Jewish Women**, met in the home of **Mrs. L. Zeldin. Ezra Schabas** was guest speaker. He spoke on: Der Rosencavalier.

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● **Beaches Sisterhood's** annual fund raising social evening and monte carlo has been planned for Saturday, March 16th, at 7:00 p.m., in the synagogue. Conveners are: **Mrs. S. Long, Mrs. C. Kramer, Mrs. D. Junkin.**

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● **Plans for Shaarei Tefillah Sisterhood's** annual tea and fashion show, to be held on April 24th, were formulated at an executive meeting in the home of **Beryl Shapiro.**

Among those present were: **Miriam Rosenzweig, Sally Berman, Tilly Rosenberg, Muriel Naftolin, Syrma Kochberg, Faigie Plonka, Tillie Miskin, Phyllis Sugar, N. Grafstein, Fay Handler, N. Goodman, Millie Shiff, Mary Cohen, Betty Appel, Fanny Chlopak, Lil Cornfield, Fanny Ross, M. Hirsh** and **Norma Zeldin**, chairman.

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● Representatives of four Canadian political parties will discuss national and international affairs at a meeting of the Adath Israel Sisterhood on March 12th. **Allan Borovoy** will be panel moderator.

The program will be highlighted by a skit presented by the **Sisterhood Players. Mrs. Harry Pollock** is program chairman.

Rabbi Irwin Schild will deliver a Purim message; **Mrs. Robert Kay** will preside.

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● A Passover collection for needy families in Israel took place at a luncheon-meeting of **Minnie Etiin chapter, Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi**, in the home of **Mrs. N. Schwartz. Mrs. J. Ross** presided.

On March 11th, the group has scheduled a rummage sale. **Mrs. K. Schwartz** is convener.

Special guests present were: **Mrs. B. Schwartz, Mrs. B. Schmertz, Mrs. M. Solomon, Mrs. L. Silverberg** and **Mrs. S. Levine** of Jamaica, Long Island, N. Y.

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● "The Makings of an Integrated Jew" was the topic of **Rabbi Dr. Walter S. Wurzburger's** address at a meeting of the **North Bathurst Talmud Torah P.T.A. Max Ander** presided.

Rabbi Wurzburger was introduced by co-chairman **Norman Direnfeld** and thanked by **Al Sugar**, treasurer.

TORONTO WOMEN LAUNCH UJA CANVASS

The General Canvass of Toronto's United Jewish Appeal Women's Division was launched at a luncheon meeting for its leadership last week at the home of Mrs. Morris Orfus.

Mrs. Morris Vigoda, chairman, said she believes this year's General Canvass will be simplified because it will cover fewer cards than in previous years. "Canvassers will have an opportunity to personalize their calls on contributors, and to spend more time explaining the needs met by the UJA dollar," she stated.

A total of 1,700 cards will be covered. Mrs. Henry Mulstein is vice-chairman and the associate chairmen are Mrs. Gabriel Grushcow, Mrs. Sydney Klebanoff and Mrs. William Savlov.

The canvass will end on Tuesday, March 19, with a "Harvest of Cards" at Holy Blossom Temple, when reports will be given on results of the card coverage.

The Treasury Gifts phase of the Women's Division drive will get underway March 17 with a tea at the home of Mrs. John R. Devor, general chairman of the division. Mrs. Percy Dolgoff is chairman of this phase.

Presidents of sisterhoods and women's organizations attending the tea will hear an explanation of the needs to be covered by the UJA campaign. Mrs. Dolgoff explained that it will be an information meeting, and that organizations will not be asked to make a pledge at that time.

ORGANIZE CANVASS. Chatting with Zvi Garcy, guest speaker, at a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Morris Orfus, to organize the General Canvass in the Toronto's United Jewish Appeal Women's Division are top picture (from left): Mrs. Morris Vigoda, Chairman; Mrs. Sydney Klebanoff and Mrs. Henry Mulstein. In photo below are (from left): Mrs. Henry Stein, Mrs. William Savlov and Mrs. Sidney Fromer.

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½ teaspoon pepper
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs yolks, well-beaten in a soup tureen

Place meat, bones and water in a soup kettle, bring to a boil, then simmer, covered, until the meat is very tender. Strain the both and skim off the fat. Add remaining ingredients except egg yolks, bring to a boil once more, then cook over medium heat until the vegetables are tender, about 15 minutes. Taste, and make more sweet and sour, if desired. Slowly pour the soup over the egg yolks, stirring constantly. Serve at once. This makes 5 portions.

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MERRY-GO-ROUND

By RUTHIE

I don't know, but where teenagers are concerned the older I become, the dumber I seem. Pick up any newspaper or magazine and you'll find oceans of articles about how to understand future mamas and papas. The poor darlings are overworked, they are grossly misunderstood, parents are too strict, parents are not too strict — oh, millions of things.

What's all the fuss about anyway? Our youngsters never had it so good, *kein eyen hora* (no evil eye). Mothers and fathers just live for their children. (No snickering, kids.)

If Junior uses his gray matter a little and burns the midnight oil, right away mama thinks,

"At the next school board meeting, Al will have to find out why the teachers give so much homework."

Mama is already afraid some mental exertion will cause her *kahdishl* (son—and you look up the literal meaning, it's too long to explain here) a nervous breakdown.

At age fifteen, the kids are threatened with,

"O.K. If you won't do as you're told, you can't have driving lessons next year."

There are more sixteen-year-olds zigzagging up and down the roads than you can count. You'd think cars were toys at a dime a dozen.

Nu, so stupid they are? If they can park a car in the schoolyard, they'd be *yulden* (dopes) to use their feet. Whoever heard of such a thing as walking? That's passe.

In the olden days, when we were young, we walked. If we, who graduated finally into the upper crust, wanted a nickel (there was such a thing) for carfare, mama became hysterical.

"Zay nur, fun der haym oisgeveynt (see here, accustomed from home)! What's the matter, your feet are no good, God forbid? I can use the money for something more important.

If our parents rose a notch on the ladder of economic success and, as a result, moved to a newer neighborhood, we were thrilled. Nobody could talk to us. We taunted the less fortunate children on the block. In fact, we were actually obnoxious.

Today? Today you're bound to hear from a daughter,

"Alright, so buy that other house. Only don't feel sorry if I have no social life. All my friends are here, and I'll be the only one among a bunch of snobs."

Aha! The newest expression on the scene — no social life. And this "no social life" is the weapon over our heads .

When I was growing up, I thanked God I was left to my own devices. I went to school, I came home, I practised the piano, I attended *Heder* (Hebrew school). And if we had no place to go, I had fun playing stoop ball or potsy. When I was a little older, mama invited the gang for a snack, *kaday* (so that) we shouldn't "hang out" in front of the house.

Who thought of a *social life?* We were happy. And if we weren't? Just one word from us and mama said,

"If you have nothing to do, scrub the kitchen floor. Or else, *klopp kupp in der vahnt* (knock your head in the wall).

It's awful today. Of course the kids are spoiled. But whose fault is it?

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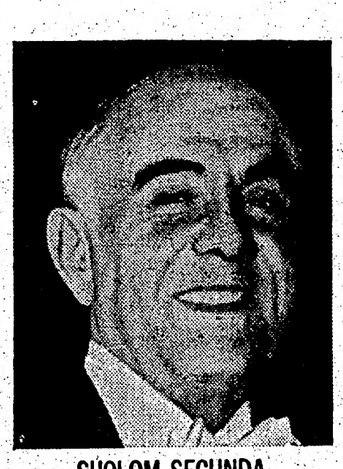

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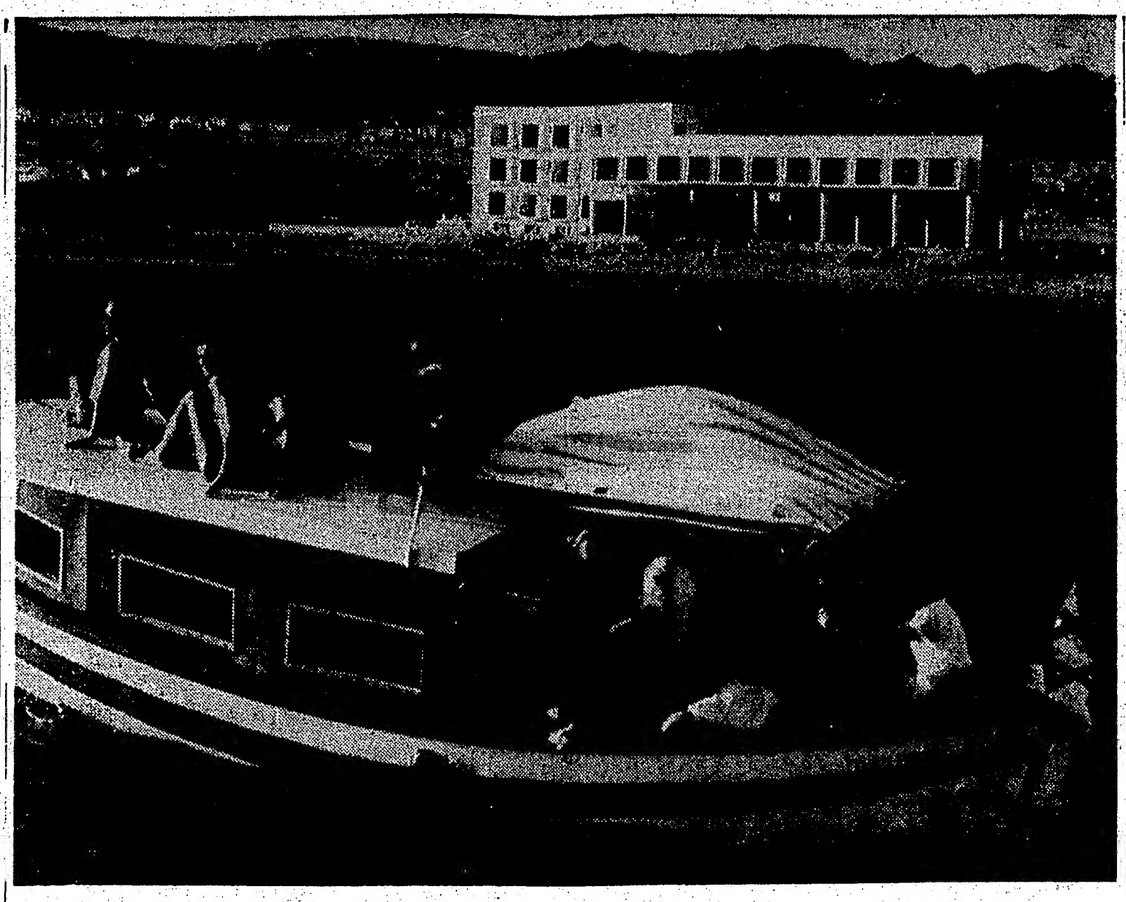

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IS IT SLANDER?

Instead, Mr. Khruschev chooses to deny that "there is, or ever has been, a policy of antisemitism in the Soviet Union." What are we to make of this? After Stalin's death Soviet spokesmen admitted that Stalin had encouraged antisemitism as part of policy of discrimination against national minorities. Is Mr. Khruschev now going back on this admission? Does he deny that the Doctor's Plot libel, the mass murder of Soviet Jewish intellectuals, the witch-hunt against "cosmopolitans" — whose Jewishness was deliberately paraded — and the enforced termination of all Jewish cultural life were manifestations of a policy of antisemitism?

Mr. Khruschev's assertion that Lord Russell's contentions reflect "bourgeois slander" is dishearteningly familiar. Almost all of what are now known as "Stalin's crimes" - against Jews and Gentiles alike - were indignantly denied as "bourgeois slander" when brought to the public notice in Western countries during the former dictator's lifetime. Are we to go through all the sorry sequence again?

NOT FOR RUSSIA

The onus is on Mr. Khruschev to prove that he has broken with the Stalinist policy of deliberate antisemitism. So far, he has given no guidance on this question to the Soviet public. Most of his statements are extensively published in the Soviet Press and radio, but though his letter to Lord Russell has been widely published here and abroad by Soviet propaganda apparatus, not a word has been releasd at home and the B.B.C.'s broadcasts dealing with the letter have been furiously jammed. Surely the Soviet authorities ought now to publish Mr. Khruschev's denunciation of antisemitism in the Soviet Press and over the radio.

Mr. Khruschev claims that he has nothing against Jews as such and that the high proportion of Jews convicted "is not an national question but a social one" is a familiar apologetic of Russian antisemitism from pre-Communist days. But are we to believe that an economic crime wave which worries the Soviet regime to such an extent that it is willing to revert to savage practices long since given up throughout the civilised world is almost entirely the work of members of the small Jewish minority?

BREACH IN THE WALL

But all this having been said it must be acknowledged that Mr. Khruschev, prodded by international concern, has taken a step in the right direction. He has conceded the world's interest in the situation of Soviet Jewry. He has joined in a discusson in which previously his voice was silent. The fact that he agrees to discuss the question is a small breach in the solid wall surrounding the "Jewish question" in the Soviet Union. It remains our duty to batter away until this wall is forced down and the truth is plain for all to see.

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Compared to the 12,000 foundations in the U.S. set up by such financial giants as Rockefeller, Ford and Duke, here in Canada only about 100 of our wealthiest citizens have established similar organizations to stimulate and enrich education and the arts in our country. One of this latter group was a distinguished member of our Toronto Jewish community — the late Frank Gerstein. He established the charitable foundation which bears his name shortly before his demise six years ago, and which has since that time made noteable contributions to a variety of worthy projects. Chairman of the Frank Gerstein Foundation is son Marvin. Members of the Board of Trustees include: Bertram, another son; Mr. J. Robinson; and J. Grant Glassco, author of the recently published report of the Royal Commission on Government Organization.

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In fact, "Imagination" seems to be a key-word for those entrusted with the disposition of the Gerstein Foundation grants. Last month we in Toronto were privileged to hear a series of lectures delivered by a number of the world's foremost scientists and thinkers, participating in York University's "Invitation Lecture Series". Sponsor of the series: the Frank Gerstein Foundation. Theme of the series: Imagination and the University. This theme was developed by the visiting lecturers as applied to psychology (Professor Gordon W. Allport, Harvard University), Freedom (Professor Henry Steel Commager, Amherst College), Curriculum and General Education (Professor Paul H. Buck, Harvard University), and "The Imaginative Mind in Art and Science" by Dr. Jacob Bronowski of the National Coal Board, London, England. (Bronowski is a Polish-Jewish immigrant who came to England at the age of 11 and rose to international prominence as a mathematician, physicist, university professor and author).

The high cultural level, provided by these foremost lecturers impressed the hundreds of students, teachers and interested citizens who jammed the main auditorium of York University. Nor could there be a more fitting kind of memorial for the public-spirited member of our community who provided for the support of such an undertaking.

THE ASHDOD "DIG"

A request for assistance in an important and large project at the site of Ashdod, Israel, may provide a unique opportunity for some amateur archaeologists in our midst to uncover the buried facts about the Philistine civilization that flourished in Palestine about 1185 B.C.E. The Toronto Jewish Historical Society and, through the Society, interested members of our community, have been approached to participate, in a kind of five-way partnership in the Ashdod "dig" planned for this coming summer. Those participating at present include: the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, the Israel Department of Antiquities, the Carnegie Institute of Pittsburgh — and the U.S. State Department. One season's start on the project has already been made.

Actually, a relatively small sum of money is involved as far as Toronto's participation is concerned — only $2500. That's one side of the project. The other side is the opportunity for qualified individuals to participate personally.

Dr. A. D. Tushingham, head of the Art & Archeology Division of the Royal Ontario Museum, met with members of the Jewish Historical Society the other evening to provide some background on the Philistine civilization which centered around the city of Ashdod, ancient hub of the Philistine Confederacy. A fascinating aspect of this civilization is that its history is known ONLY by the writing of other people — the Bible of the Hebrews, Ugarit, Egyptian and Assyrian tablets. First mention of the Philistines in the Bible is found in the Book of Judges.

Excavations to date show the Ashdod site to be a very large one, 120 acres. Compared to this, Jericho has only 10 acres and Jerusalem (at the time of David) only 8 acres. From pottery already discovered at the site during last summer's dig, it appears that trade flourished between Greece and Ashdod, 14th century B.C. The type of pottery found suggests also that the Philistines were great beer drinkers.

It is the belief of the experts that several important problems may be solved by what is unearthed at Ashdod — problems concerned with King David, who repulsed the Philistine armies and re-established Israelite control of the hill country — and the perplexing puzzle of how, or why the Philistines earned the relentless enmity of the Prophets.

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MIAMI — Participants in an international celebration of Dr. Samuel Belkin's 20th anniversary as president of Yeshiva University, held in Miami Beach last week included, (left to right): Meyer W. Gasner of Toronto; Leo Robinson of Miami Beach; Dr. Belkin; and Abraham Borman of Detroit. Mr. Gasner, a graduate of Yeshiva University, was the keynote speaker and chairman of the celebration. Robinson and Borman served as co-chairmen with Gasner.

MIAMI: MARK A. LEVY of Toronto receives his National Community Service Award plaque from Dr. Louis Finkelstein, chancellor of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, at the Seminary's Fourth Annual Convocation Dinner in Miami Beach, Florida. Left is Joseph S. Wohl who presented Mr. Levy for the award. U.S. Senator Jacob K. Javits of New York was the guest speaker at the dinner which was attended by more than 400 prominent educators. public figures and business leaders.

TORONTO PASSOVER DRIVE WORKERS HOLD MEETING, BANQUET IN MIAMI

Three members of the Toronto Jewish community have been appointed Co-Chairmen of the Moess Chittin Campaign in Central Region for 1963, it is announced by Jack Shindman Chairman of United Jewish Relief Agencies of Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region. They are: Josef Fleischmann, Samuel Himel and Max Shecter.

Mr. Shindman also announced that Messrs. Himel and Shecter are serving as Co-Chairmen of Miami Beach section of the campaign, conducted for Ontario residents vacationing in the Florida resort.

AID TO NEEDY

The Moess Chittin Appeal, conducted annually in communities across the country, raises funds to provide matzot, Haggadas and other Passover necessities for needy Jewish families in many parts of the world.

Each of the three co-chairmen for the Regional campaign has taken a leading part in communal activities. Mr. Fleischmann has just been elected President of Jewish Immigrant Aid Services Central Region, and serves on the Regional UJRA Committee and the Canadian Jewish Loan Cassa, Toronto. A veteran in Zionist affairs, Mr. Himel is Honorary Vice President of Zionist Organization of Canada, Central Division. Mr. Shecter is Secretary of the Eastern Canadian Council of B'nai B'rith, in which organization he has held many leading positions over the years; he is a member of the Board of Governors of Israel Bond Organization; Vice President of Ontario Region of United Synagogue of America; a member of several committees of Congress in Central Region, and a Past President of Beth Sholom Synagogue.

Election of new officers for the Miami Beach sector of the campaign took place at a special meeting held recently under the auspices of UJRA with Mr. Shindman presiding. Serving with Messrs. Himel and Shecter will be: Mrs. Leah Donnenfield, Vice Chairman; Jack Adler, Treasurer; M. Berenbaum and Dr. Mike Sossin, Co-Secretaries.

TRIBUTE BY RABBI SCHILD

Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel Congregation paid special tribute to the memory of the late Joseph Donnenfield, who was Co-Chairman of Moess Chittin in Central Region and for many years headed the Miami Beach campaign. Mr. Himel called on the group to redouble their efforts as a memorial tribute to Mr. Donnenfield.

It was announced that the annual Purim Banquet for the Miami Beach sector will take place March 3 at the di Lido Hotel.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED

Members of the Miami Beach Committee are: Mrs. Jack Adler, Mr. William Agranov, Mrs. M. Berenbaum, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bergman, Mr. and Mrs. D. Birenholtz, Mr. and Mrs. Max Blackstein, Mr. and Mrs. M.Lou Brown, Mr. P. Brown, Mr. S. Citron, Mr. and Mrs. William Clavir, Mr. Jacob Diamond, Mr. and Mrs. M. Dorfman, Mr. and Mrs. M. Eichler, Mr. Max Elkin, Mr. and Mrs. L. Gelber, Mr. and Mrs. M. Ginzberg, Mr. and Mrs. David Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. I. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. H. Greenglass, Mr. and Mrs. S. Greenspan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Grossman, Mr. and Mrs. N. Harris, Mrs. Rose Herman, Mrs. Samuel Himel, Mr. Jack Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. S. Kamin, Mr. and Mrs. I. Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. N. Kwinter, Mr. and Mrs. I. Levman, Mr. and Mrs. S. Lottman, Mr. and Mrs M. Mandsl, Mr. M. Rogul, Mr. and Mrs. M. Rosen, Mr. H. Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sherman, Mr. E. Silverman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Slobin, Mr. L. Soupcoff, Mr. and Mrs. J. Steinberg, Mr. and Mrs. C. Troster, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wise.

ANTI-NAZI TRIALS IN GERMANY CONTINUE

ACTION AGAINST JUDGE

Kiel, (JCNS) Disciplinary action has been taken against a local judge, Heinrich Krause, who is accused of having made anti-semitic remarks.

This was stated here this week by a spokesman of the Schleswig-Holstein Ministry of Justice. He added that a legal action would probably be initiated shortly against the judge, who still holds office.

APPEAL REJECTED

Kassel, (JCNS) An appeal by Dr. Otto Schweinsberger, the former chief prosecutor at Frankfort, against his forcible retirement because of Nazi past, has been dismissed by the local Hesse Administrative Court.

Schweinsberger had been a member of the Nazi party since 1935. From 1936 until the end of the war he had acted as a Nazi military judge and in this capacity had been responsible for a number of terror sentences, according to material made public a few years ago.

After the war he was denazified and classified as a nominal member of the Nazi party. But when the charges against him were raised he was forced to retire in May 1959.

He appealed against the decision of the Hesse Government but the Administrative Court at Frankfort turned down his appeal. Now the local court has confirmed the verdict.

The reasons given by the court were that Schweinsberger, instead of arriving at independent decisions in his judgments, had obviously acted in accordance with Nazi ideologies. For this reason his further employment in the West German judiciary was incompatible with the principles of a democratic state, the court ruled.

B. B. WOMEN DONORS BALL SATURDAY NIGHT

B'nai B'rith Women of Toronto are buzzing with excitement. The ladies are finalizing a year of fund-raising in order to attend their first Donors Ball which takes place at the Club Kingsway, Saturday, evening, March 9th.

The Ball will carry a Theme of Spring with a decor of tulips and daffodils.

The guests will be received by Mrs. Charles H. Kay, Chairman of Toronto B'nai B'rith Women and Mr. Kay, Mrs. Irvin Borins, Chairman of the Ball and Mr. Borins; Mrs. Murray Morgathau, Chairman of the Year Book and Mr. Morganthau. Also receiving will be Mr. Harry Frank, President, Toronto B'nai B'rith Co-Ordinating Committee, and Mrs. Frank; His Worship, Mayor Donald Summerville and Mrs. Summerville; Controller and Mrs. Phillip Givens; Metro Chairman and Mrs. William Allen; Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Phillips; Senator and Mrs. David Kroll; Mr. and Mrs. Saul S. Berlin; and the Hon. and Mrs. Allan Grossman.

Mrs. Irving Kirsch who was a leading fund-raiser of the B'nai B'rith Women this year.

Mrs. Norman Burns was the top fund-raiser of the B'nai B'rith Women during the current year.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

HERBERT SAMUEL

Dear Editor:

I wish to commend you on your objective Commentary on Herbert Samuel, in which you have again shown that a Jew, who has attained a high position of official importance, is an eminent man of the Jewish faith, but not necessarily an eminent Jew.

Toronto

MARTIN JACOBSON

Jew Honored By Poland

Warsaw, (JCNS) Dr. Benjamin Nadel, Professor of Philology at Lodz University, has been appointed a member of the Polish Academy of Science.

He is one of the few Jewish professors and lecturers to be given this honour in the last few years.

Ontario Youth Hold Convention

OTTAWA, (CJN).—The Eastern Canadian Region of United Synagogue Youth (ECRUSY) held its 5th Regional Kinus (Convention Conference) in Ottawa at the Agudath Israel Congregation on the weekend of February 22, 23, and 24th. Over 340 delegates and advisors from across Eastern Canada including the communities of Toronto, Hamilton, London, St. Catherines, Ottawa and Montreal attended the 3 days of intensive programming.

The theme of the convention was: "Building Spiritual Bridges," the cementing of personal ties between the youth of Canada and those in Israel. The entire programme was devoted to exploring the theme in detail and with relevance to Canadian Jewish Youth. Workshops, Seminars and study sessions were devoted to understanding how Israel affects the teenager in Canada and the many historic links that tie the Canadian Jewish teenager to Israel.

The Highlight of the Convention was an address by Yaakov Herzog, Israel Ambassador to Canada. He told the Convention of the vital role that Canadian youth could play in building a cultural bridge between Israel and the diaspora. Peter Geffen, International President of USY was the keynote speaker. He appealed to the Jewish Youth of North America not to foresake their Jewish Heritage, and the values developed during the many years of learning and expounding the Torah through the Ages.

Miss Linda Pearl of Ottawa, was selected as Queen of the Convention. The choice was made due to her active participation in local and regional events, and her loyalty to the ideals of USY.

The newly elected executive of the ECRUSY region consists of Gershon Hundert, of Beth Shalom USY, President; Alan Applebaum, of Adath Israel, 1st. Vice President; Harvey Meirovich, of Beth Am 2nd Vice President; Moishe Meirovich, of Beth Am, Treasurer; Judi Carson, of Beth Shalom, Recording Secretary and Esther Myers, of Beth Tzedec, Corresponding Secretary. The past-president and international liason with Atid (the College Age Arm of the United Synagogue of America) is Seymour Epstein.

The Eastern Canada Region of the USY has doubled in membership in the past two years. Close to 700 teenagers in 13 congregations make up the regional roster. Mr. Arthur J. Siggner is the Chairman of the Youth Commission, the Adult body that supervises and sponsors these youth activities.

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